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Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
August 23, 1946

~~SECRET - AIR COURIER~~

Director, FBI

Re: WILLIAM S. TAVEL
Special Agent
PERSONNEL MATTER

Dear Sir:

The above-named Agent has indicated his offices of preference as follows:

1. New York
2. Washington, D. C.
3. Richmond

Very truly yours,

Charles E. McNabb

CHARLES E. MCNABB
L.A.

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cc: Mr Slavin

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~~SECRET - AIR COURIER~~

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
June 12, 1946

Director, FBI

Re: SIS 552
COVER ACTIVITIES

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto for the information of the Bureau is a copy of a letter received by JOHN ALEXANDER, presently acting as manager for Brazil for Republic Pictures, from WALTER L. TITUS, JR., Vice-President of Republic Pictures in New York City and the son-in-law of Mr. YATES, the owner of Republic Pictures.

This letter refers to a report of twenty odd pages which had been prepared by SIS 552 after a four day trip of inspection to the Republic branch office in Belo Horizonte, Brazil. This trip was made at the request of Mr. ALEXANDER. The report prepared by SIS 552 dealt with the description of premises, personnel, lease dealings, accounting checks, and the general condition of the office. No recommendations were made by this representative in connection with this survey.

It is not expected that SIS 552 will make frequent surveys as described above. However, it is believed that an occasional trip as the one described will strengthen this representative's cover.

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Very truly yours,

SAM J. PAPICH
Acting L.A.

SJP:MGM
ENCL.

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TELEPHONE
GRAND 2990

KANSAS CITY, MO.

May [illegible] 19[illegible]6

Mr. John Alexander
Republic Pictures do Brasil Inc.
Praca Getulio Vargas, 2
Rio De Janeiro
Brazil, S. A.

Dear John:

I have gone over your letter of April 30th, subject, BELO HORIZONTE LEASE, and the very excellent and thorough report Mr. Tavel submitted.

As you will note I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Altschuler and to Mr. O'Gara. Before we submit for executive approval, the plans for this lease, Mr. O'Gara and Mr. Altschuler should indicate their approval. I do not know what their plans are concerning Belo Horizonte. I understood before I left that there were several of the Branches in South America which we considered giving up, and I do not have the information with me in Kansas City as to whether this was one of them.

My recommendation would be that either you or Mr. O'Gara try to make the best possible deal with the landlord and then cable to us for executive approval. Of course, we do not wish to pay any more "luvas" than we can possibly avoid. When you send us such a cable you had better include what the cost of the film vault will be as well.

I certainly cannot criticize you for getting Mr. Tavel to make this report. I wish that you could persuade him to make such a report on all our branches, and I want you to extend to him the Company's thanks for the very fine work and the great help which he has given us. I would write to him personally but I do not feel that this would be quite proper under the circumstances. I do not know what Mr. Tavel is thanking us for. I think the arrangement is swell.

I have recommended to Mr. Altschuler for some months that the sooner we get rid of Mr. Broda, the better. Now, I will try to discuss in brief Mr. Tavel's report, but this is something that you and Mr. O'Gara will have to study and make your very definite recommendations on:

It would seem that our present quarters are as good as we can expect to obtain and it is just a matter of working out the best possible deal with the landlord, which one of you will have to do and submit for executive approval. It may be just as well that the team of Broda and Oliveira is broken up, as they have been together for some time and since we are not too satisfied with this Branch's operation, it may be well to have the break take place before we make a change. I certainly hope that Mr. Streit works out. I think that whoever finally goes to visit this Branch should check very carefully into the work of Rodrigues and also

be sure that Miss Vieira's health is good enough to continue in her position.

I notice that there are a lot of arrangements concerning cleaning and waxing, and these should be set up for Home Office approval on a regular purchase requisition, and they should not be exceeded without prior approval. My own opinion is from what I have seen, that Mr. Broda has taken advantage of his expense account and I think that you and Mr. O'Gara are going to have to check this very carefully as long as he is with us and also set up some system ~~of being sure~~ of checking to be sure that he travels. Apparently, from everything indicated in this report, Broda is hard-pressed for money and we must watch everything he does.

If the sugar and coffee arrangement is a custom and other Companies pay for this I presume we will have to as well. Certainly, I want it definitely understood that there is to be no cooking ~~down~~ done in this Branch. It is entirely too dangerous. As to the freight charges, do other Companies handle these freight charges in this manner? Is there no possible arrangement by which such freight charges can be passed on collect to the Exhibitor? I don't like to have too much cash handled in an office of this type. If there is anything that can possibly be done about this, I would like you to work it out.

I am glad to hear that Mr. Broda's wife and child are no longer living in the Branch, and certainly hope that by now he has moved out. If not, I think Mr. O'Gara should insist that he move immediately.

There is entirely too much money being handled in the petty cash account in this Branch and wherever possible we would like these payments made by check, and also want to be sure that three or four items are not paid by one check as was indicated in Mr. Tavel's report. Would be glad to have you make any recommendations that you think should be made considering how these freight payments should be handled.

As to Mr. Broda's expense account, he seems to have received very large amounts considering the salary he receives. I would like to bet money he is making up on his expense account what he feels he should be receiving in salary. You know very well that we will not countenance such an arrangement. I certainly see no reason why the booker should be allowed to travel out of this Branch, or have any expense account. That is something that you and Mr. O'Gara can tell better than I can, and I think if it is out of order it should be immediately stopped. Be very sure that all the telegraph and telephone charges which should be charged back to the Exhibitors are being charged back.

As to the many requests which Mr. Broda made; in other words, requests one through nineteen, listed on pages 19, 20 and 21 of Mr. Tavel's report, any of these which are seriously needed should be submitted on purchase requisitions. Certainly, I think that a portable typewriter for his trips on the road, is out of order. He can use a pencil or a pen like any of our domestic managers or salesmen. Most of these requests, I believe, are going to have to await a visit by either you or Mr. O'Gara to this Branch. Broda must have spent a couple of nights figuring out this list. We don't want to spend any money in these Branches that is not absolutely

required and unless such expenditures are going to bring us in money.

Mr. Broda's salary arrangement is something that will have to be taken up with Mr. Altschuler and Mr. O'Gara.

I again want to thank Mr. Tavel for this very complete report and if there is anything I have overlooked, I am sure that you and Mr. O'Gara will go into it very thoroughly and make your recommendations.

Sincerely,

WALTER L. TITUS, JR.

WLT:dob

cc Mr. O'Gara
Mr. R. ... Altschuler
Branch Operations Dept.

SPECIAL EFFICIENCY REPORT
May 31, 1946
Re: William Saxby Tavel
Special Agent, CAF 12, $5180

This report is being prepared in view of my transfer from the Rio de Janeiro Office.

An Annual Efficiency Report on this Agent was prepared on March 31, 1946. His duties and qualities set forth at that time have not changed. His status continues to be Excellent.

Initialed:_____

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SPECIAL

REPORT OF EFFICIENCY RATING

Form approved
Budget Bureau No. 50-R012.
Approval expires Mar. 30, 1945.

ADMINISTRATIVE-UNOFFICIAL ( )
OFFICIAL:
REGULAR ( ) SPECIAL (X)
PROBATIONAL or TRIAL PERIOD ( )

As of May 31, 1946 based on performance during period from April 1 to May 31, 1946

WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL — Special Agent, CAF 12, $5180
(Name of employee) (Title of position, service, and grade)

Federal Bureau of Investigation - SIS Section
(Organization—Indicate bureau, division, section, unit, field station)

ON LINES BELOW MARK EMPLOYEE		CHECK ONE:
V if adequate — if weak + if outstanding	1. Study the instructions in the Rating Official's Guide, C. S. C. Form No. 3823A. 2. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position. 3. Rate only on elements pertinent to the position. *a.* Do not rate on elements in *italics* except for employees in administrative, supervisory, or planning positions. *b.* Rate administrative, supervisory, and planning functions on elements in *italics*.	Administrative, supervisory, or planning ☐ All others ☐

_____ (1) Maintenance of equipment, tools, instruments.
_____ (2) Mechanical skill.
_____ (3) Skill in the application of techniques and procedures.
_____ (4) Presentability of work (appropriateness of arrangement and appearance of work).
_____ (5) Attention to broad phases of assignments.
_____ (6) Attention to pertinent detail.
_____ (7) Accuracy of operations.
_____ (8) Accuracy of final results.
_____ (9) Accuracy of judgments or decisions.
_____ (10) Effectiveness in presenting ideas or facts.
_____ (11) Industry.
_____ (12) Rate of progress on or completion of assignments.
_____ (13) Amount of acceptable work produced. (Is mark based on production records? _____ (Yes or no))
_____ (14) Ability to organize his work.
_____ (15) Effectiveness in meeting and dealing with others.
_____ (16) Cooperativeness.
_____ (17) Initiative.
_____ (18) Resourcefulness.
_____ (19) Dependability.
_____ (20) Physical fitness for the work.
_____ (21) *Effectiveness in planning broad programs.*
_____ (22) *Effectiveness in adapting the work program to broader or related programs.*
_____ (23) *Effectiveness in devising procedures.*
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_____ (26) *Effectiveness in instructing, training, and developing subordinates in the work.*
_____ (27) *Effectiveness in promoting high working morale.*
_____ (28) *Effectiveness in determining space, personnel, and equipment needs.*
_____ (29) *Effectiveness in setting and obtaining adherence to time limits and deadlines.*
_____ (30) *Ability to make decisions.*
_____ (31) *Effectiveness in delegating clearly defined authority to act.*

STATE ANY OTHER ELEMENTS CONSIDERED

_____ (A) _____
_____ (B) _____
_____ (C) _____

STANDARD Deviations must be explained on reverse side of this form	Adjective rating
Plus marks on all underlined elements, and no minus marks	Excellent
Plus marks on at least half of the underlined elements, and no minus marks	Very good
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and any minus marks overcompensated by plus marks	Good
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and minus marks not overcompensated by plus marks	Fair
Minus marks on at least half of the underlined elements	Unsatisfactory

Adjective rating
Rating official EXCELLENT
Reviewing official _____

Rated by Heber M. Clegg (Signature of rating official) — Legal Attache (Title) — May 31, 1946 (Date)

Reviewed by [illegible] (Signature of reviewing official) — Inspector (Title) — June 1, 1946 (Date)

Rating approved by efficiency rating committee _____ (Date) Report to employee _____ (Adjective rating)

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Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

April 22, 1946

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

Director, F.B.I.

Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

I have just received notice of my promotion from Grade CAF 11, to CAF 12. I would like to express my sincere appreciation, not only for the additional compensation, which in these days of increased living costs here will meet a real need, but principally for the confidence which I feel has thus been shown in my ability.

I assure you that I shall do everything in my power to make certain that this confidence has not been misplaced.

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Yours sincerely,

William S. Tavel

William S. Tavel
Special Agent

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ANNUAL REPORT OF EFFICIENCY RATING

REGULAR (XXX); INTERIM ( ) PROBATIONARY—1st ( ) 2d ( )

Classification Symbols		
(Service)	(Grade)	(Class)

As of 3-31-46 based on performance during period from 4-1-45 to 3-31-46

WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL (Name of employee) — SA, CAF-12 (Title of position) — FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (Bureau)

SIS SECTION (Division) — (Section) — (Subsection or unit) — (Field office)

ON LINES BELOW MARK EMPLOYEE		CHECK ONE:
√ if adequate — if weak + if outstanding	1. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position. 2. Rate only on elements pertinent to the position. *a.* Do not rate on elements in *italics* except for employees in administrative, supervisory, or planning positions. *b.* Rate administrative, supervisory, and planning employees on all elements pertinent to the position whether in *italics* or not. 3. Before rating, become thoroughly familiar with instructions in the rating manual.	Administrative, supervisory, or planning ☐ All others XX

(1) Maintenance of equipment, tools, instruments.
(2) Mechanical skill.
(3) Skill in the application of techniques and procedures.
(4) Presentability of work (appropriateness of arrangement and appearance of work).
(5) Attention to broad phases of assignments.
(6) Attention to pertinent detail.
(7) Accuracy of operations.
(8) Accuracy of final results.
(9) Accuracy of judgments or decisions.
(10) Effectiveness in presenting ideas or facts.
(11) Industry.
(12) Rate of progress on or completion of assignments.
(13) Amount of acceptable work produced. (Is mark based on production records? No (Yes or no))
(14) Ability to organize his work.
(15) Effectiveness in meeting and dealing with others.
(16) Cooperativeness.
(17) Initiative.
(18) Resourcefulness.
(19) Dependability.
(20) Physical fitness for the work.

(21) *Effectiveness in planning broad programs.*
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STATE ANY OTHER ELEMENTS CONSIDERED

(A)
(B)
(C)

STANDARD
Deviations must be explained on reverse side of this form

	Adjective rating	Numerical rating
All underlined elements marked plus, and no element marked minus	Excellent	1
A majority of underlined elements marked plus, and no element marked minus	Very good	2 or 3
All underlined elements marked at least with a check, and minus marks fully compensated by plus marks, or—a majority of underlined elements marked at least with a check, and minus marks on underlined elements overcompensated by plus marks on underlined elements	Good	4, 5, or 6
A majority of underlined elements marked at least with a check, and minus marks not fully compensated by plus marks	Fair	7 or 8
A majority of underlined elements marked minus	Unsatisfactory	9

	Adjective rating	Numerical rating
Rating official	EXCELLENT	
Reviewing official		

RECORDED 10 MAY 1946

On the whole, do you consider the conduct of this employee to be satisfactory? Yes (Yes or no) (See back of form)

Rated by [signature] (Signature of rating official) — Legal Attaché (Title) — 3-31-46 (Date)

Reviewed by [signature] (Signature of reviewing official) — Inspector (Title) — 5/3/46 (Date)

Rating approved by efficiency rating committee (Date) — Report to employee (Adjective rating) (Numerical rating)

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CONDUCT REPORT

(This space is to be used in case the question on the face of the sheet regarding the employee's conduct has been answered "No." In such a case give here a full statement of the particulars in which the employee's conduct has not been satisfactory.)

(Signature)

EXPLANATION OF DEVIATIONS FROM STANDARD

(Signature)

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Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
March 31, 1946

Re: WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL
Special Agent

This Agent has been operating throughout the past year in Rio de Janeiro in an undercover capacity. There has not been called to my attention any indication that his true identity is known to other than authorized individuals. I have had occasion to meet a high official of his company while making an inspection of Brazil, and he stated that Mr. TAVEL was in no way embarrassing the commercial organization and in fact was a credit to that corporation.

Mr. TAVEL is immaculate in dress, has a pleasing personality, and makes friends easily. However, as yet he has not developed any outstanding informants.

Particularly during the past six months, during which time he has been on a most secret assignment, this employee has performed in an excellent manner and to the advantage of the Bureau. He has a special aptitude for art, of which he has taken advantage in his present assignment. Although during the first part of the year, covered by this report, I felt that he did not utilize sufficient initiative and resourcefulness in his investigations, I have observed that during the past six months he has done so.

I consider this man most loyal to the Bureau. He has an excellent attitude toward his work and accepts discipline in a straightforward manner. The lectures which he has given before the quarterly conferences have been very good. He was called upon to assist in obtaining information from Confidential Informant [redacted] which necessitated his working through several nights, and he accepted this responsibility with enthusiasm and competency. He has an excellent knowledge of photographic technics. He is fluent in the Portuguese language. b7D

This Agent has earned the adjective rating of Excellent for his work during the past year.

Heber M. Clegg
HEBER M. CLEGG
L.A.

HMC:MGM

Employee's initials:

W.S.T.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

[redacted]

Prepared by:
Checked by:
Filed by:

William D. Tavel

NO. [redacted] 5638
CIVIL SERVICE OR OTHER LEGAL AUTHORITY

Name: [redacted]

Nature Of Action: [redacted]

Effective: [redacted]

	FROM	TO	NATURE OF POSITION
Position	Special Agent	[redacted]	a NEW
Grade	CAF 11	CAF 12	P. C. No.
Salary	$4525	$5125	
Bureau or Division			b ADDITIONAL IDENTICAL
			P. C. No.
Headquarters			
Appropriations	CAS, FBI (Expl. Inf.)	[redacted]	c VICE Roy V. Leitchler resig eff 10-12-45
			P. C. No.
Departmental Or Field	☐ DEPT. FIELD ☒	☐ DEPT. FIELD ☒	

REMARKS: He has been on [redacted] since 9 on 11-16-45.

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CC - Mrs. [redacted]-4525 (perm)
Mr. Jackson-5511
Mr. Edwards-4515

~~CONFIDENTIAL - AIR POUCH~~

Date: March 25, 1946

To: Legal Attache
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: Number 552 Wm. S. Tavel SA

Please advise Number 552 that he is being promoted from $4520 per annum in Grade CAF-11 to $5180 per annum in Grade CAF-12 effective March 24, 1946.

In connection with this promotion please advise Number 552 that his Living and Quarters Allowance will be increased from $1411.20 to $1764 per annum effective the same date.

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Mr. Harvey
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Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

GMM:tlc

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Glavin

DATE: 3-19-46

FROM : J. P. Mohr

SUBJECT: William S. Tavel
Special Agent
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Beahm
Miss Gandy

RE: REALLOCATION

This employee entered on duty as a Special Agent on 9-8-41 and was reallocated to CAF 11, $3800 per annum on 2-1-44. As a result of a basic increase in pay effective 7-1-45, his salary was changed to $4300 per annum and on 8-13-45, he was promoted to $4520 per annum in Grade CAF 11, under the provisions of the Uniform Promotion Act. He is now being considered for reallocation to CAF 12, $5180 per annum.

On 2-20-46 Legal Attache H. M. Clegg rated him EXCELLENT. A permanent brief of his file is attached.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that he be reallocated to Grade CAF 12, $5180 per annum. on the SIS rolls.

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Noted on Confidential Payroll 3-22-46 ACS

Lt. Rio 3/26/46

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
February 20, 1946

Re: WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL, Special Agent
Special Efficiency Report

This employee has been under my supervision during the past year. He makes an excellent appearance and creates a good impression on individuals meeting him for the first time.

This man has an excellent attitude toward his work. Upon various occasions, it has been necessary to work throughout the night on emergency matters. Mr. Tavel accepted his assignment with enthusiasm.

He appears to be outstanding along technical lines and of recent months, his efforts have been directed for the most part in that connection. His recent assignment has precluded his having time to develop additional informants.

At times it appeared to me as though this employee did not utilize sufficient initiative and imagination in his investigations but constant improvement has been made in this regard. He has handled a larger volume of work than Special Agents operating under the same conditions that he is operating.

This employee has a fluent knowledge of the Portuguese language and in this respect is above average.

When compared with other Special Agents in Grade CAF-11, he is entitled to the rating of excellent.

LEGAL ATTACHE

W.A.T.
Employee's Initials

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INTERIM
REPORT OF EFFICIENCY RATING

ADMINISTRATIVE-UNOFFICIAL ( )
OFFICIAL:
REGULAR ( ) SPECIAL (XXX)
PROBATIONAL or TRIAL PERIOD ( )

As of February 20, 1946 based on performance during period from 4-1-45 to 2-20-46

William Saxby Tavel (Name of employee)

SPECIAL AGENT, CAF-11 (Title of position, service, and grade)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (SIS Section)
(Organization—Indicate bureau, division, section, unit, field station)

ON LINES BELOW MARK EMPLOYEE		CHECK ONE:
√ if adequate — if weak + if outstanding	1. Study the instructions in the Rating Official's Guide, C. S. C. Form No. 3823A. 2. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position. 3. Rate only on elements pertinent to the position. *a.* Do not rate on elements in *italics* except for employees in administrative, supervisory, or planning positions. *b.* Rate administrative, supervisory, and planning functions on elements in *italics*.	Administrative, supervisory, or planning ☐ All others XXX

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STATE ANY OTHER ELEMENTS CONSIDERED

(A) _____
(B) _____
(C) _____

STANDARD Deviations must be explained on reverse side of this form	Adjective rating
Plus marks on all underlined elements, and no minus marks	Excellent
Plus marks on at least half of the underlined elements, and no minus marks	Very good
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and any minus marks overcompensated by plus marks	Good
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and minus marks not overcompensated by plus marks	Fair
Minus marks on at least half of the underlined elements	Unsatisfactory

Adjective rating

Rating official EXCELLENT W.S.T.

Reviewing official _____

Rated by [signature] (Signature of rating official) LEGAL ATTACHE (Title) February 20, 1946 (Date)

Reviewed by [signature] (Signature of reviewing official) INSPECTOR (Title) MARCH 8, 1946 (Date)

Rating approved by efficiency rating committee _____ (Date) Report to employee _____ (Adjective rating)

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Prepared by
Checked by
Date

Walter H. Tavel

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NO. FBI-C125

CIVIL SERVICE OR OTHER LEGAL AUTHORITY

Name: MR. WILLIAM C. TAVEL — March 24, 1946

Nature Of Action: AWARD PROMOTION

Effective: March 24, 1946

	FROM	TO
Position	Special Agent	Same
Grade	CAF 11	CAF 12
Salary	$4520	$5180
Bureau or Division		
Headquarters		
Appropriations	C&J, FBI (Natl. Def.)	Same
Departmental Or Field	☐ DEPT. FIELD ☒	☐ DEPT. FIELD ☒

NATURE OF POSITION

a NEW

P. C. No.

b ADDITIONAL IDENTICAL

P. C. No.

c VICE
Roy W. Deitchler
resign eh 10-12-45

P. C. No.

REMARKS: Refer to Form 6560. Supplement Form 6 to show recall, from CAF 10, $3500 to CAF 11, $3800 eff 2-1-44 BOI to $4300, eff 7-1-45; Auth. Prom. under the Auth. Prom. 3111, Public Law 200, as amended 6-30-45 from $4520 to $4520 in CAF 11, eff 8-13-45.

DATE OF OATH

DATE OF BIRTH

APR 18 1946
NOT RECORDED

February 18, 1946

ROUTINE

LEGAL ATTACHE
RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL

RADIOGRAM:
CIPHER PAD CODE:

NUMBER FIVE FIVE TWO. SUBMIT SPECIAL EFFICIENCY REPORT NEXT POUCH.

GWH:tlo

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
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Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

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10 MAR 4 1946

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. LADD

FROM : C. H. CARSON

SUBJECT: WILLIAM S. TAVEL, SPECIAL AGENT

DATE: September 26, 1945

Mr. Tolson
Mr. A. H. Tarm
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Martin
Mr. Lamb
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Nease
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Carson
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Mumford
Mr. Jones
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Beahm
Miss Gandy

BACKGROUND:

Special Agent William S. Tavel has been serving on undercover assignment in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil since January 16, 1943. He has been representing Republic Pictures since May 22, 1945.

DETAILS:

While Agent Tavel was preparing his cover in Hollywood, California, he had photographs taken of himself with movie stars, Tito Guizar, Constance Moore and Leo Carrillo, and Cameraman Jack Martin. Copies of these photographs have been forwarded to the Bureau by the Legal Attache at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, with his letter dated September 5, 1945. The originals of the photographs are being framed and hung in the office of the Republic Pictures in Rio de Janeiro and should prove a convincing means of helping to establish Tavel's cover.

ACTION:

The above is being set out for your information.

RECEIVED

United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO

FILE No. Director

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who had contributed to this fund prior to February 28, 1946, and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - ~~MONEY ORDER~~) the sum of ten dollars ($10.00), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary for F. B. I. Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name SAME AS BEFORE Address

Relationship Dated 1-23-46

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing $1500-death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in line of duty.

Name SAME AS BEFORE Address

Relationship Dated

Very truly yours,

William S. Tavel
Special Agent

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1-25-46
jc

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DATE 10-11-2023 BY: [redacted]

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~~SECRET - AIR COURIER~~

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
September 5, 1945

Director, FBI

Re: SIS 552 - COVER ACTIVITIES
ADMINISTRATIVE

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are copies of five autographed photographs of SIS Representative 552 taken with TITO GUIZAR, CONSTANCE MOORE, LEO CARILLO, and JACK MARTIN. The first three are Republic Pictures stars; the latter is a cameraman.

While this Representative was completing his cover training at the studios of Republic Pictures in Hollywood, California, he arranged to have these pictures taken and autographed. He is having the originals framed, and they will be hung in the office of Republic Pictures do Brasil, Inc. in Rio de Janeiro, which is his cover company. They should prove a convincing means of helping to establish this Representative's cover here.

Very truly yours,

HEBER M. CLEGG
L.A.

Recorded
Checked
Filed
JAN 24 1946
BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
10 JAN 21 1946

552:MGM
ENCL.

Memo Mr Rabb
7/26/45

SIS

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Mr.
Miss
Mrs. _____ Date _____

New appointment [ ] Mr. William S. Tavel [ ] Transfer [ ] Promotion [ ] August 9, 1945 [ ]

PRESENT STATUS

1. Title:
2. Grade:
3. Salary: Special Agent
4. Seat of Government: [ ] Field: CAF 11 [ ]
5. Division: $4300 per annum
6. Appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses, FBI" (National Defense)

PROPOSED ACTION

7. Title:
8. Grade:
9. Salary: Special Agent
10. Seat of Government: [ ] Field:* CAF 11 [ ]
11. Division: $4520 per annum
12. Appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses, FBI" (National Defense)
13. Effective:
14. Position: Additional: [X] Vice: Identical:
15. Remarks: August 13, 1945

Mr. Tavel is being promoted under the Automatic Promotion Bill, Public Laws #200 and #106. He was reallocated from Grade CAF 10, $3500 per annum to Grade CAF 11, $3900 per annum, effective February 1, 1944. He has been on SIS leave without pay since 9:00 A. M. November 16, 1942.*** No fanfold necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

_____
(Title)

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

cc: CCO, Selective Service

AUG 20 1945

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
MAILED 9
AUG 10 1945 P.M.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
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cc Miss[redacted]k-sent direc
Mr.Jackson-5511
Mrs.Ackerman-4525-perm
Mr.Edwards-4515

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August 7, 1945

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~
~~CONFIDENTIAL - AIR POUCH~~

Mr. Heber M. Clegg
The American Embassy
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

RE: Number 552 (Wm.S.Tavel)

Dear Mr. Clegg:

Please advise Number 552 that he is being promoted from $4300 to $4520 per annum in Grade CAF-11 as of August 13, 1945, under the provisions of the Uniform Promotion Act.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Lad
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Miss Gandy

REP:MAD

FOREIGN LANGUAGE TESTS

SIS In-Service - 3-19-45 -- 4-7-45

In testing to determine a person's ability in the various phases of a foreign language, the following Rating Chart is to be used for the purpose of arriving at an "Average Grade."

NAME William S. Tavel FOREIGN LANGUAGE TESTED Portuguese

NO. OF YEARS ACADEMIC TRAINING IN LANGUAGE TESTED

1. High School _____
2. College or University _____
3. Other 60 Hours private instruction, Berlitz School in Washington and New York City in 1942

TIME SPENT IN COUNTRIES WHERE LANGUAGE TESTED IS SPOKEN 2 YRS. _____ MOS.

1. State Countries and length of time spent in each.

Brazil - 2 years - some private instructions while there.

RATING CHART

TYPE	PHASE	GRADE	WEIGHT	TOTAL
I. WRITTEN	TRANSLATION			
	1. English Into Foreign Language	98	2	196
	2. Foreign Language Into English	100	2	200
II. ORAL	COMPREHENSION	98	3	294
	CONVERSATION	98	3	294
	TOTALS.			984
	AVERAGE GRADE		98.4	

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

He has a very good accent, expresses himself colloquially in Portuguese.

87-215528-86
8 JUL 10 1945
8 JUN

RATING OFFICER R. E. Pyle
DATE April 7, 1945

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. _____

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who had contributed to this fund prior to July 30, 1945, and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of ten dollars ($10.00), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

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Name Same as before Address _____

Relationship _____ Dated 6-25-45

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Name Same as above Address _____

Relationship _____ Dated _____

Very truly yours,

William S. Tavel
Special Agent

File

Ack. 6/26/45 mlb

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DEPARTURE MEMORANDUM

(Answers must be typewritten)

1. Name WILLIAM S. TAVEL

Bureau Title Special Agent SIS # 552

2. Grade CAF 11 Salary $3800

3. EOD Bureau 9/8/41

4. EOD SIS September 1942

5. Living and Quarters Allowance $1200

6. Point of Assignment Rio de Janeiro, Brazil Capacity undercover

7. Last Assignment Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, (prior to that, New York City)

8. Name, address, and relationship of person to whom personal mail, Government checks and bonds are to be forwarded William K. Tavel (father) 715 S. Washington St., Alexandria, Virginia - Temple 6291

9. Name and address of cover company Republic Pictures International Corp. b7E

[redacted]

10. SIS Salary checks to be forwarded to The National City Bank of New York, Times Square Branch, 41St and Broadway, New York City, N.Y.

11. SIS expense checks to be forwarded to same bank

12. New York City drop box Robert Hasbruck, P.O. Box # 35, Madison Square Station New York City, N.Y.

13. New York City cable address Majolica

14. First name alias [redacted] b7E

15. Check one:

X I am single and aware that I cannot marry an alien while on SIS assignment.

_____ I am married.

16. Name, address, telephone number, and relationship of person to be notified in case of illness or emergency William K. Tavel (father) 715 S. Washington St., Alexandria, Virginia, telephone Temple, 6291

Relo to Rio de Janeiro 5/22/41 W.B.C

File SS 11/26

17. Are you aware that you are not to reveal your identity as a Bureau employee to outside individuals? I am

18. I have been cautioned to be extremely careful of my health and I am aware that the Bureau must be immediately advised of my illness I have

19. I am aware that my personal conduct while on assignment must be above reproach and that the same regulations apply as in the continental United States I am

20. I am aware that I cannot carry credentials or any other identifying papers which would reveal my employment on assignment. I am

21. Passport # 759789 Draft Classification 2A

22. Are you a member of the Agents Insurance Fund? I am

23. Age 29 Birthdate 7/12/15

24. Office of Preference European assignment

25. Education qualifications A.B.degree & 1 yr. law, Washington & Lee Univ.
1 yr. Harvard Law School

26. Language ability Portuguese - very good. French - fair (6 yrs in school)

27. Complete itinerary from Washington, D. C., to point of assignment showing times of departure and arrival, transportation to be used, and where you can be reached at all times:
Lv. Wash. 5/22 1am B&O Arive N.Y.C. 9 am 5/22. Lv. N.Y.C. 5/27 11:30pm N.Y.Central, arrive Chicago 4:40 pm 5/28. Lv. Chicago 5/28 8pm. Rock Island RR. Golden State Limited, arrive Los Angeles 9:25 am 5/31 (probably stopping Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel) to visit Republic Pictures studios. Lv. Los Angeles 6/9 via Pan-American airways, and associated lines enroute. Lv. Mexico City 6/11, 1:20 am. Lv. Balboa, Panama 6/13, Lv. Lima, Peru 6/15 Lv. Santiago, Chile 6/16 Lv. Buenos Aires, Argentina 6/17, arrive Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 6/17.

William S. Tavel

Signature

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DATE 10-17-2023 BY: [redacted]

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Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
April 5, 1945

~~SECRET - AIR COURIER~~

Director, FBI

Re: GEORGE A. VAN NOY;
WILLIAM S. TAVEL;
ANNUAL EFFICIENCY RATINGS

Dear Sir:

There are attached the Annual Efficiency Ratings of Special Agents George A. Van Noy and William S. Tavel. These reports have not been initialled by the agents as they are presently at the Bureau attending retraining school.

Very truly yours,

HEBER M. CLEGG
L. A.

3 MAY 7 1945

HMC:LH

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cc [redacted]

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Attachments

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Standard Form No. 51, Rev.
Approved Dec. 1943
C. S. C. Dept. Cir. No. 458

Form approved
Budget Bureau No. 50-R012.
Approval expires Mar. 30, 1945.

ANNUAL REPORT OF EFFICIENCY RATING

ADMINISTRATIVE-UNOFFICIAL ( )
OFFICIAL:
REGULAR (XX) SPECIAL ( )
PROBATIONAL or TRIAL PERIOD ( )

As of MARCH 31, 1945 based on performance during period from 4-1-44 to 3-31-45

WILLIAM S. TAVEL (Name of employee)

SPECIAL AGENT, CAF-11 (Title of position, service, and grade)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, SIS SECTION (Organization—Indicate bureau, division, section, unit, field station)

ON LINES BELOW MARK EMPLOYEE		CHECK ONE:
V if adequate – if weak + if outstanding	1. Study the instructions in the Rating Official's Guide, C. S. C. Form No. 3823A. 2. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position. 3. Rate only on elements pertinent to the position. *a.* Do not rate on elements in *italics* except for employees in administrative, supervisory, or planning positions. *b.* Rate administrative, supervisory, and planning functions on elements in *italics*.	Administrative, supervisory, or planning ☐ All others XXX

(1) Maintenance of equipment, tools, instruments.
(2) Mechanical skill.
✓ (3) Skill in the application of techniques and procedures.
(4) Presentability of work (appropriateness of arrangement and appearance of work).
✓ (5) Attention to broad phases of assignments.
+ (6) Attention to pertinent detail.
(7) Accuracy of operations.
+ (8) Accuracy of final results.
+ (9) Accuracy of judgments or decisions.
+ (10) Effectiveness in presenting ideas or facts.
✓ (11) Industry.
✓ (12) Rate of progress on or completion of assignments.
✓ (13) Amount of acceptable work produced. (Is mark based on production records? ____ (Yes or no))
+ (14) Ability to organize his work.
✓ (15) Effectiveness in meeting and dealing with others.
+ (16) Cooperativeness.
✓ (17) Initiative.
+ (18) Resourcefulness.
+ (19) Dependability.
✓ (20) Physical fitness for the work.

(21) *Effectiveness in planning broad programs.*
(22) *Effectiveness in adapting the work program to broader or related programs.*
(23) *Effectiveness in devising procedures.*
(24) *Effectiveness in laying out work and establishing standards of performance for subordinates.*
(25) *Effectiveness in directing, reviewing, and checking the work of subordinates.*
(26) *Effectiveness in instructing, training, and developing subordinates in the work.*
(27) *Effectiveness in promoting high working morale.*
(28) *Effectiveness in determining space, personnel, and equipment needs.*
(29) *Effectiveness in setting and obtaining adherence to time limits and deadlines.*
(30) *Ability to make decisions.*
(31) *Effectiveness in delegating clearly defined authority to act.*

STATE ANY OTHER ELEMENTS CONSIDERED

(A) ____
(B) ____
(C) ____

STANDARD Deviations must be explained on reverse side of this form	Adjective rating		Adjective rating
Plus marks on all underlined elements, and no minus marks	Excellent	Rating official	EXCELLENT
Plus marks on at least half of the underlined elements, and no minus marks	Very good		
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and any minus marks overcompensated by plus marks	Good	Reviewing official	
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and minus marks not overcompensated by plus marks	Fair		
Minus marks on at least half of the underlined elements	Unsatisfactory		

Rated by Adam J. Gajewski (Signature of rating official) LEGAL ATTACHÉ (Title) MARCH 31, 1945 (Date)

Reviewed by C. H. Carson (Signature of reviewing official) INSPECTOR (Title) MAY 21, 1945 (Date)

Rating approved by efficiency rating committee ____ (Date) Report to employee ____ (Adjective rating)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16—26177-2

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
March 31, 1945

RE: WILLIAM S. TAVEL
SPECIAL AGENT

During the past year Agent Tavel has operated in an undercover capacity in Rio de Janeiro. He presents a good personal appearance and creates a favorable first impression. He is somewhat socially reticent but is a keen observer and a strong adherent to fact and detail. He is capable of being forceful and aggressive in the execution of assignments. He has been loyal to the Bureau and has exhibited a marked degree of enthusiasm when granted responsibilities. He has discharged these responsibilities with little supervision.

This agent is above average as a dictator. His reports are characterized by very thorough preparation and have been outstanding in the method of presentation and adherence to pertinent details. He has demonstrated an exceptionally good faculty for analyzing information and presenting it in an orderly, logical, and concise manner. His work has further reflected a sound knowledge of organization and initiation of investigations. His volume of work has been up to par.

Mr. Tavel does not take shorthand. He operates a typewriter satisfactorily and is also an experienced and capable automobile driver. From all indications he has been enjoying good health. There has been no opportunity to observe this agent testify, handle dangerous assignments, or operate on a physical surveillance. It is believed that he would prove satisfactory.

This agent has a fluent knowledge of the Portuguese language and can be classed above average. He also has a limited knowledge of French, having studied this language in college.

Mr. Tavel has handled his cover with a full appreciation of security and discretion. There is no evidence that he may have created any embarrassment to the Bureau in the handling of his cover. It is to be noted that he has operated his cover

under trying circumstances as a result of the indifferent cooperation of the local manager of his cover company. Despite this handicap, Tavel handled his cover to good advantage.

Although the records reflect weakness in the line of developing contacts and informants, it is possible that this agent would prove more productive in this line with sounder cooperation from the local cover manager.

It is believed that this agent does not have a natural ability to fit into any type of cover. It is my observation that a cover must be carefully chosen to utilize the full capabilities of this agent. During the past year Tavel reviewed several files and submitted outstanding reports in important cases, one of these being an extensive survey of the Integralist Movement in Brazil. He also has done considerable work on the Brazilian Monograph and has indicated definite suitability for such assignments.

Tavel has exhibited administrative and supervisory ability in organizing investigative matters. However, there has been no opportunity to observe his ability to handle a group of men.

Based on the above observations, it is believed that the agent is entitled to a rating of EXCELLENT.

Legal Attache

H. A. T.
Employee's Initials

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : CLYDE A. TOLSON

DATE: April 9, 1945

FROM : H. H. CLEGG

Mr. Tolson
Mr. H. H. Clegg
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Hadd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Hemon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Beahm
Miss Gandy

SUBJECT:

SPECIAL AGENT WILLIAM S. TAVEL

SIS IN-SERVICE TRAINING COURSE

FROM	3-19-45	TO	4-7-45
EOD			9-8-41
GRADE			CAF--11
SALARY			$3800
ASSIGNED TO			NEW YORK

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION AFFORDED: Yes

GRADES ATTAINED:

NOTEBOOK	Very Good
WRITTEN EXAMINATION	100
PORTUGUESE	98.4

FIREARMS SCORES
HS---98
PPC--88

TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT QUALIFICATIONS:

Good

REMARKS: Interviewing Official - C. H. Carson

The above-named Agent is attending the current SIS Training School. He is presently assigned under cover in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Agent Tavel presents a very good appearance. He has a good personality and can be considered as definitely above average in ability. He is enthusiastic about the School and also about his assignment. This Agent has in the past performed some outstanding work in connection with his undercover assignment. He is intelligent, resourceful, and quite versatile. He has better than average judgment and definitely has the strength of his convictions. The future progress and development of this Agent should be quite favorable.

LANGUAGE COMMENTS BY: Mr. R. E. Pyle

He has a very good accent, expresses himself colloquially in Portuguese.

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6 APR 26 1945
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

App. Not Req.

CLASSIFICATION ADVICE

Local Board No. 152
New Haven County 009
State 152
County
City Hall
Waterbury 35, Conn.

(Local Board Date Stamp With Code)

April 3, 1945

(Date of mailing of Notice of Classification to Registrant)

You are advised that—

William Saxby Tavel
(First name) (Middle name) (Last name)

Order No. 294 has been classified in Class 2-A

until Sept 26, 19 45
(Insert date for Class II-A and II-B only)

by [X] Local Board.

[ ] Board of Appeal (by vote of ..... to .....).

[ ] President.

APR 17 1945

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6 APR 12 '45

Helen Freeman

(See other side) (Member or clerk of local board)

DSS Form 59
(Revised 12-10-43)

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Notes
WRS/hb

Appeal Procedure

Any person entitled to do so may take an appeal to the board of appeal within 10 days after the above date of mailing of Notice of Classification to registrant in either of the following ways:

(1) By filing with the local board a written notice of appeal. Such notice need not be in any particular form but must state the name of the registrant and the name and identity of the person appealing so as to show the right of appeal.

(2) By signing the "Appeal to Board of Appeal" on the Selective Service Questionnaire (Form 40).

The person appealing may attach to his notice of appeal or to the Selective Service Questionnaire (Form 40) a statement specifying the respects in which he believes the local board erred, may direct attention to any information in the registrant's file which he believes the local board has failed to consider or give sufficient weight, and may set out in full any information which was offered to the local board and which the local board failed or refused to include in the registrant's file.

Appeal to the President from classification by the board of appeal may be taken at any time within 10 days after the date of mailing of notice to registrant, provided the registrant was classified by the board of appeal in either Class I-A, Class I-A-O, or Class IV-E and one or more members of the board of appeal dissented from such classification. Otherwise, the decision of the board of appeal is final except when an appeal is taken to the President either by the State Director of Selective Service or the Director of Selective Service on the ground that he deems it to be in the national interest or necessary to avoid an injustice.

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Washington, D.C.
March 27, 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. H. H. CLEGG

Re; Failure to sign register

With reference to the writer's failure to sign the register in the SIS In-Service Training Class, on the morning to March 26, 1945, this was due to the fact that the writer entered the classroom at 9:03 am, and the register had already been removed.

The writer's tardiness was due to the bus from Alexandria, Virginia, leaving Alexandria at 8:20 am and normally arriving in Washington at 12th St. and Pennsylvania Ave. at 8:50 am was held up in traffic, and arrived approximately 10 minutes late.

8 APR 5 1945

Respectfully submitted,

William S. Tavel

WILLIAM S. TAVEL
Special Agent

DECLASSIFICATION AUTHORITY DERIVED FROM:
FBI AUTOMATIC DECLASSIFICATION GUIDE
DATE 10-17-2023 BY: [redacted]

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March 27, 1945

Local Board Number 15-B
Selective Service System
City Hall
Waterbury 35, Connecticut

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to the Selective Service case of Mr. William S. Tavel, who is registered with your Board as Order Number 294. You will recall that recently I transmitted form 42-A (Special-Revised) to your Board.

As you know Mr. Tavel is a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and is employed on a highly confidential assignment outside the continental limits of the United States. It has been necessary to recall Special Agent Tavel to Washington, D. C., for limited, but exceptionally important conferences in connection with his assignment. The Bureau desires to return him to his confidential assignment, and it is respectfully requested that he be granted another permit to leave the country. Your attention is called to the fact that it is necessary that this permit be issued in blank as to items one, two and three. No Board of Appeal is organized in the area in which Mr. Tavel is principally employed and in such instances Local Board Memorandum Number 188, provides that there is to be no appeal by law.

Your consideration and cooperation in this case would be appreciated. I assure you that should there be any change in the occupational status of this registrant, your Board will be promptly advised.

MAR 31 1945

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg 3-27-45
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols Air Mail
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

CC: Review Committee, War Manpower Commission

CC: SAC - New Haven - You are requested to follow this with the Local Board to see that the issuance of this permit is expedited.

WRG:la

March 24, 1945

Local Board Number 15-B
Selective Service System
City Hall
Waterbury 35, Connecticut

RE: WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL
Order Number 294

Gentlemen:

There is enclosed herewith for the consideration of your Board, properly certified D.S.S. Form 42-A (Special-Revised), in triplicate, covering the Agency Committee's request for occupational deferment of the above-named registrant.

This revised form, properly certified, is necessary under Local Board Memorandum Number 115-F, as amended February 21, 1945, and it will be appreciated if consideration can be given this request for deferment, by the members of your Board.

Since Mr. Tavel is on a confidential assignment outside the continental limits of the United States, and no Board of Appeal is organized in the area in which he is assigned, a copy of D.S.S. Form 42-A (Special-Revised) has been sent to the State Director of Connecticut.

4 MAR 31 1945

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
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Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice

He is on a confidential assignment outside the continental United States and can be contacted through FBI Headquarters, U.S. Department of Justice Building, Washington, D.C.

See attachment.

WILLIAM SAINT TAVEL

294 July 12, 1915 (29)

15-B New Haven Waterbury Connecticut

Special Agent

See attachment.

September 8, 1941 September 8, 1941

annual

$4428.32 65 - 70

Paid work week 48 hours

Investigator, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, New York, New York.

B.A., Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Virginia; Attended Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

file copy

J. Edgar Hoover

March 10, 1945

Director

SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM

Bureau Budget No. 33-R058.3.
Approval expires Oct. 31, 1945.

AFFIDAVIT—OCCUPATIONAL CLASSIFICATION (Special—Revised)

(Submit in triplicate, plus any additional copies specified by certifying agency)

Name of company Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice
(Corporation, partnership, individual—if self-employed, so state)

Address at which registrant is employed He is on a confidential assignment outside the continental United States and can be contacted through FBI Headquarters, U.S. Department of Justice Building, Washington, D.C.
(Location of plant, office, or division where registrant works)
(City) (State)

Description of the activities of this establishment See attachment.

Social Security Industrial Code
(If not known, call local U. S. E. S. office)

Name of registrant WILLIAM CAREY SAVEL

Selective Service Order No. 224 Date of birth July 12, 1915 (29)

Local Board 15-B (Number) New Haven (County) Waterbury (City) Connecticut (State)

Title of present job Special Agent

(State whether journeyman, apprentice, helper, certificated, licensed, professional engineer, etc.)

Describe duties actually performed See attachment.

(Be specific—include name of machine or machine tool, process, materials, etc.)

Date employed September 8, 1941 Date entered present job September 8, 1941

Average ~~weekly~~ annual rate of pay $4423.32 Average hours worked per week 65 - 70
Paid work week 48 hours

Prior work experience Investigator, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, New York, New York.

Educational background A.B., Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Virginia; Attended Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

(Fill out if necessary to establish employee's qualifications for a particular job)

D. S. S. Form 42A (Special—Revised)
(Revised 2-19-45)

DUPLICATE

[OVER]

c9 16—38026-1 GPO

J. Edgar Hoover
(Name)

March 10, 1945
(Date)

J. Edgar Hoover
Director
(Official position)

Employer: Leave this section blank. *Certifying Agency:* Complete this section only if request is certified.

CERTIFYING AGENCY
REVIEW COMMITTEE ON DEFERMENT OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES 12

(Name of Agency authorized to certify) (Agency code No.)

certified on MAR 10 1945 (Date) for a period of APPROVED (Not to exceed 6 months) 6 Months.

AUTHORIZED
Authorized Government Request Stamp must be entered here for Federal Government Employees only
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
F.B.I. REGIONAL AGENCY COMMITTEE
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BUILDING
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Date Clyde A. Tolson, Chairman

REVIEW COMMITTEE ON DEFERMENT
OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES
EDGAR F. PURYEAR, CHAIRMAN

(LOCAL BOARD DATE STAMP WITH CODE)

LOCAL BOARD REPORT TO
DIRECTOR OF SELECTIVE SERVICE

This registrant has been classified in

Class _____ until _____

(Member or clerk of local board)

DUPLICATE

c9 16—38026-1

DECLASSIFICATION AUTHORITY DERIVED FROM:
FBI AUTOMATIC DECLASSIFICATION GUIDE
DATE 10-17-2023 BY: [redacted]

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~~CONFIDENTIAL-AIR POUCH~~

Date: January 20, 1945

To: Mr. William S. Crawford
The American Embassy
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

From: John Edgar Hoover-Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: Special Agents Insurance Fund

Please advise the following employees of your office that the amount of $10.00 has been deducted from their salary checks for the period from January 1, to January 15, 1945, to cover a payment currently due to the Special Agents Insurance Fund:

Clarence H. Albro
Vincent J. Ascherl
James L. Byrd
Louise R. Day
Eugene F. Deady
#841 O. E. Findling
Louise Haithcock
#552 W. S. Tavel
George A. Vannoy
Hazel M. Hall
Naida Irving
Harlan H. Johnson
Arthur L. Leeds
#855 Manuel M. Liodas
#7070 C. R. MacInnes
Bertha J. McCulothlan
William P. McVay
Martha G. Mead
John A. Mehos
Louis H. Padgett
Sam J. Papich
Anne C. Pelton
Hobart H. Rockwell
#752 Carlton A. Rood
Stanley R. Russo

If any of the above employees desire to change the beneficiary previously designated by them they should so advise the Bureau.

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Lad
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Carson
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Ladford
Mr. Jones
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
1945
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. _____

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who had contributed to this fund prior to February 10, 1945, and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of ten dollars ($10.00), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary for F. B. I. Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name SAME AS BEFORE Address _____

Relationship _____ Dated 1/15/45

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing $1500-death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in line of duty.

Name SAME AS ABOVE Address _____

Relationship _____ Dated _____

Very truly yours,

William S. Tavel
Special Agent

JAN 19 1945

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Local Board No. 15
New Haven County 009

152

(Local Board Date Stamp With Code)

City
Waterbury 35, Conn

December 26, 1944.

(Date of mailing of Notice of Classification to Registrant)

JAN 10 1945

215 528-78

You are advised that—

William Tavel
(First name) (Middle name) (Last name)

Order No. 294 has been classified in Class 2-A

JAN 8 1945

until June 15/45, 19
(Insert date for Class II-A and II-B only)

by ☐ Local Board.

☐ Board of Appeal (by vote of ..... to .....).

☐ President.

Helen L. Guenzgrier
(See other side) ~~(Member~~ or clerk of local board)

DSS Form 59
(Revised 12-10-43)

16—37588-2

Appeal Procedure

Any person entitled to do so may take an appeal to the board of appeal within 10 days after the above date of mailing of Notice of Classification to registrant in either of the following ways:

(1) By filing with the local board a written notice of appeal. Such notice need not be in any particular form but must state the name of the registrant and the name and identity of the person appealing so as to show the right of appeal.

(2) By signing the "Appeal to Board of Appeal" on the Selective Service Questionnaire (Form 40).

The person appealing may attach to his notice of appeal or to the Selective Service Questionnaire (Form 40) a statement specifying the respects in which he believes the local board erred, may direct attention to any information in the registrant's file which he believes the local board has failed to consider or give sufficient weight, and may set out in full any information which was offered to the local board and which the local board failed or refused to include in the registrant's file.

Appeal to the President from classification by the board of appeal may be taken at any time within 10 days after the date of mailing of notice to registrant, provided the registrant was classified by the board of appeal in either Class I-A, Class I-A-O, or Class IV-E and one or more members of the board of appeal dissented from such classification. Otherwise, the decision of the board of appeal is final except when an appeal is taken to the President either by the State Director of Selective Service or the Director of Selective Service on the ground that he deems it to be in the national interest or necessary to avoid an injustice.

16—37588-1 U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

December 15, 1944

Local Board Number 15-B
Selective Service System
City Hall
Waterbury 35, Connecticut

RE: WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL
Order Number 294

Gentlemen:

The Agency Committee of the Federal Bureau of Investigation recommends that the attached D.S.S. Forms 42 and 42 Supplement be forwarded to your Board requesting further occupational deferment for Special Agent Tavel.

As you have been previously advised, Special Agent Tavel is presently assigned to duties outside the continental limits of the United States and you have furnished him a permit to leave the country. It is requested that this permit to leave the country be extended. No Board of Appeal is organized in the area in which Mr. Tavel is principally employed and in such instances Local Board Memorandum Number 188 provides that there is to be no appeal by law.

Your consideration and cooperation in this case would be appreciated. I assure you that should there be any change in the occupational status of this registrant, your Board will be promptly advised.

Sincerely yours,

215528-77

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure
Yes - Review Committee, War Manpower Commission

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
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Mr. Nichols
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Mr. Quinn Tamm
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Miss Gandy

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WILLIAM SEXBY TAVEL

He is presently assigned to duties outside the continental limits of the United States.

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29 (July 12, 1915)

15-B New Haven Waterbury Connecticut

Occupation:

Mr. Tavel is a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and holds a key position within the meaning of Executive Order 9309.

It is requested that the above-named registrant, who is employed by an agency in or under the Federal Government, be classified in Class II-A or Class II-B by reason of the fact that he is "necessary to and regularly engaged in" an activity in support of the national health, safety or interest, or an activity in war production and is between the ages of 26 and 29, inclusive. Form 42 (Sup.) giving complete details conerning the registrant and his occupation is attached.

Agency Stamp:

AUTHORIZED
GOVERNMENT REQUEST
U. S. [illegible]
F.B.I. [illegible]
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BUILDING
[illegible]

12/15/44
Date

Clyde A. Tolson, Chairman
J. Edger Hoover

Washington, D. C.

15th December 44

cc - Review Committee, War Manpower Commission

Notary Public

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
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Miss Gandy

12/15/44

WILLIAM ..BY TAVEL

294 July 12 1915 29

15-B Waterbury New Haven Connecticut

Special Agent xx

U.S. Department of Justice Federal Bureau of Investigation

See attachment. Mr. Tavel is an investigatory agent charged with the duty of investigating violations of the laws of the United States, collecting evidence in cases in which the United States is or may be a party in interest, and performing other duties imposed upon him by law. He is at present assigned to a highly confidential assignment outside the continental limits of the United States.

September 8, 1941 Can be contacted through F.B.I. headquarters 4428.32

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Liberty Mutual Ins. Co. New York, New York 11/39 9/41 Investigator $1750

Washington & Lee Univ. Lexington, Va. 1934 1938 B.A. Commerce & French
Harvard Law School Cambridge, Mass. '38-'39 Law

See attachment - over six months

3-A	1941	LB	8/41	2-B	9/43	LB	2/16/44
2-A	8/41	LB	1/14/42	2-A	3/8/44	LB	8/10/44
2-B	9/30/41	LB		2-A	7/44	LB	12/30/44
2-B	9/10/42	LB	2/27/43				
2-B	3/16/43	LB	9/8/43				

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June 7, 1943

See attachment.

See attachment.

See attachment.

Approximately
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None

See attachment.

See attachment.

Clyde A. Tolson

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December 15, 1944

WILLIAM S. TAVEL	Special Agent
EOD Bureau	September 8, 1941
EOD SIS	November 16, 1942
Arrived Rio de Janeiro	January 14, 1943
Salary	$3800.00
Offices of Preference	1. Rio de Janeiro
	2. Lisbon
	3. New York

Legal Attache Bradley

This agent dresses well, presents a good appearance, and is of a friendly nature. At times he is inclined to enter into rather lengthy and redundant conversations. He has demonstrated exceptional ability in being able to write a comprehensive and detailed report, although it should be noted that he has not developed any worthwhile informants. By virtue of his aptitude along the lines of paper work, I have assigned him, among other matters, the handling of the Brazilian Monograph, which, not only entails investigative but also the compilation of considerable printed matter. Tavel has worked his cover well. He has artistic ability which has [redacted] I have found him dependable, industrious, and enthusiastic about his work. He reads and speaks Portuguese with facility, and has a limited reading knowledge of French and Spanish.

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Inspector Gurnea

Tavel is serving in an undercover capacity as a student salesman with the RKO Film Company. He states that student salesmen are considered in movie circles as one grade beneath clerical employees. He rarely works his cover and would not survive an investigation by the local authorities. Tavel is a good conversationalist, makes an excellent appearance, and has an ability to meet people. He has studied French for six years and desires a European assignment. I believe he should be considered for assignment in France if and when an undercover agent is needed there. He is not ready for supervisory work.

RATING: VERY GOOD.

SEP 13 1944

Inspection Report
Rio de Janeiro Office
July 25, 1944
Inspector Gurnea

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. _____

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who had contributed to this fund subsequent to August 31, 1944, and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of ten dollars ($10.00), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

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The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name Same as before Address _____

Relationship _____ Dated August 1, 1944

Very truly yours,

William S. Tavel
Special Agent

Ack. 8-1-44 mlb

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CLASSIFICATION ADVICE

App. Not Req.

July 14, 1944.

(Date of mailing of Notice of Classification to Registrant)

(Local Board Date Stamp With Code)

You are advised that—

William Tavel

(First name) (Middle name) (Last name)

Order No. 294 has been classified in Class 1-A 215598-76

until Dec. 30/44, 19

(Insert date for Class II-A and II-B only)—

by ☒ Local Board.

☐ Board of Appeal (by vote of ..... to .....).

☐ President.

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JUL 24 1944

DSS Form 59
(Revised 3-29-43)

(See other side)

(Member or clerk of local board)

16—33835-1

Appeal Procedure

Any person entitled to do so may take an appeal to the board of appeal within 10 days after the above date of mailing of Notice of Classification to registrant in either of the following ways:

(1) By filing with the local board a written notice of appeal. Such notice need not be in any particular form but must state the name of the registrant and the name and identity of the person appealing so as to show the right of appeal.

(2) By signing the "Appeal to Board of Appeal" on the Selective Service Questionnaire (Form 40).

When an appeal is taken from the classification or reclassification of a registrant and when such appeal is upon the ground that the registrant should have been deferred by reason of his occupation, the appeal shall be transferred to the board of appeal having jurisdiction over the area in which the registrant is employed, provided all of the following conditions are met (but not otherwise):

(1) The first person to appeal from such classification or reclassification files with his appeal a written request for such transfer;

(2) The written request states in what respect an occupational question is involved; and

(3) The written request states the name of the registrant's employer and the street address, county, and State where the registrant is employed.

The person appealing may attach to his notice of appeal or to the Selective Service Questionnaire (Form 40) a statement specifying the respects in which he believes the local board erred, may direct attention to any information in the registrant's file which he believes the local board has failed to consider or give sufficient weight, and may set out in full any information which was offered to the local board and which the local board failed or refused to include in the registrant's file.

Appeal to the President from classification by the board of appeal may be taken at any time within 10 days after the date of mailing of notice to registrant, provided the registrant was classified by the board of appeal in either Class I-A, Class I-A-O, or Class IV-E and one or more members of the board of appeal dissented from such classification. Otherwise, the decision of the board of appeal is final except when an appeal is taken to the President either by the State Director of Selective Service or the Director of Selective Service on the ground that he deems it to be in the national interest or necessary to avoid an injustice.

16—33835-1 U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

COPY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

March 19, 1944

RDA:mh

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

RE: OFFICE OF LEGAL ATTACHE
RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL

BACKGROUND

Our Legal Attache at Rio de Janeiro has advised that in accordance with previous Bureau instructions the following Agents presently operating under the covers noted are not necessary to maintain the necessary coverage in his office and that his recommendation that these individuals be transferred is designed to streamline his administrative set-up commensurate with the work he states he has on hand.

Special Agent	Cover Company	Date of Departure
Orval F. Yarger	[redacted]	
Cassius E. Rathbun		
Carlton A. Rood		
Oscar E. Findling		
William S. Tavel		

b7E

DETAILS

At the present time we have [redacted] Agents in the open and [redacted] Agents undercover in order to maintain the necessary coverage in this whole country, which is larger than the whole of the United States and which, at the present time, is the scene of a great deal of activity, both by the Brazilians alone who are endeavoring to build up their war machine as protection against near-by Argentina and also in connection with the United States war effort (we maintain a considerable number of bases of various kinds in Brazil not only for the protection of that country but also as a "stepping off" place for the Eastern Hemisphere, particularly at Natal). b7E

According to the January administrative report from Rio De Janeiro, there are presently 323 cases pending in that office with 133 of them delinquent. According to this delinquent figure, it would seem that Agent Bradley should not be able to spare any personnel whatsoever at this time and in addition to that fact it is not believed that to leave only [redacted] undercover personnel in such a large country will maintain the necessary minimum coverage. b7E

Memorandum for Mr. Ladd

RECOMMENDATION

In view of the fact that it is expected Inspector M. E. Gurnea will shortly be in Rio de Janeiro for an inspection, it is recommended that we hold the transfer of such personnel in abeyance until we obtain Inspector Gurnea's recommendations.

There is attached hereto a radiogram to Rio de Janeiro instructing the Legal Attache to hold any instructions as to transfers in abeyance at this time.

Respectfully,

C. H. Carson

Attachment

July 3, 1944

WMW:EB

Local Board Number 15-B
Selective Service System
City Hall
Waterbury 35, Connecticut

RE: WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL
ORDER NUMBER 294

Gentlemen:

The Review Committee of the War Manpower Commission, established under the provisions of Executive Order 9309, has determined the position of Special Agent held by Mr. Tavel to be a key position within the meaning of said Executive Order.

The Agency Committee of this Bureau, which has been established in accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 9309, recommends that the attached Forms 42 and 42 S be forwarded to you requesting occupational deferment on behalf of Mr. Tavel. I would appreciate having these affidavits made a part of the file of the above-named registrant, and request your consideration of the same when you determine his classification.

At the present time this employee is serving outside the continental limits of the United States and it is also requested that the permit to leave the country which you previously granted be extended in order that the Bureau may continue to use Mr. Tavel on assignments outside the continental limits of the United States. Since there is no Board of Appeal organized in the area where this employee is principally employed, Local Board Memorandum Number 128 provides that there is to be no appeal by law in any such case.

Should you want any additional information, do not hesitate to call upon me. I shall keep you promptly advised of any change in the occupational status of this registrant.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
JUL 3 1944 P.M.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Enclosure

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Mr. Jones
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

CC: Review Committee, War Manpower Commission
CC: Mr. Ladd

WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL

294 28

15-B New Haven Waterbury Connecticut

Occupation: The above-named registrant is a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and holds a key position within the meaning of Executive Order 9309.

It is requested that the above-named registrant, who is employed by an agency in or under the Federal Government, be classified in Class II-A or Class II-B by reason of the fact that he is "necessary to and regularly engaged in" an activity in support of the national health, safety or interest, or an activity in war production and is between the ages of 26 and 29, inclusive. Form 42 (Sup.) giving complete details concerning the registrant and his occupation is attached.

Agency Stamp:

6/30/44

J. Edgar Hoover

Washington, D. C.

30th June 44

Notary Public

6/30/44

WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL

294 July 12 1915 28

15-B Waterbury New Haven Connecticut

Special Agent x

U. S. Department of Justice Federal Bureau of Investigatio

See attachment. Mr. Tavel is an investigatory agent charged with the duty of investigating violations of the laws of the United States, collecting evidence in cases in which the United States is or may be a party in interes and performing other duties imposed upon him by law. He is at present assigned to a highly confidential assignment outside the continental limits of the United States.

September 8, 1941 Can be contacted through F. B. I. Headquarters Washington, D. C. 4428.32

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Liberty Mutual Ins. Co.	New York, New York	11/39	9/41	Investigator	$1750
Washington & Lee Univ.	Lexington, Va.	1934	1938	B. A.	Commerce & French
Harvard Law School	Cambridge, Mass.	'38-'39			Law

See attachment - Over six months

3-A	1941	LB	8/41	2-B	9/43	LB	2/16/44
2-A	8/41	LB	1/14/42	2-A	3/8/44	LB	8/10/44
2-B	9/30/41	LB					
2-B	9/10/42	LB	2/27/43				
2-B	3/16/43	LB	9/8/43				

June 7, 1943

See attachment

See attachment

See attachment

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None

See attachment

See attachment

Clyde A. Tolson
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June 30, 1944

SPECIAL AGENTS

This position has been designated as a key position by the Review Committee of the War Manpower Commission.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has been designated as the sole civilian government investigative agency having jurisdiction over the investigation of matters pertaining to national defense such as espionage, sabotage, registration of agents of foreign principals, sedition, treason, and the like, and further, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has sole investigative jurisdiction in a great number of other Federal statutes which embrace bank robbery, kidnaping, extortion, white slave traffic, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, and numerous others. The investigative work in connection with the above violations is performed by the Special Agent personnel of this Bureau, who are recruited from applicants between the ages of twenty-five and forty. They must be graduates of a law school or an accounting school with the necessary accounting experience, or graduates of a university with extensive investigative experience, or with linguistic qualifications, or have basic educational training and possess satisfactory prior law enforcement experience which will enable them to satisfactorily perform the duties imposed upon them. For certain of the scientific investigative work, Special Agents are secured who primarily are qualified in the sciences, such as ballistics, chemical analysis, spectography, cryptography, mineralogy, metallography, toxicology, and other like sciences. Applicants for appointment to the position of Special Agent must meet the physical standards and requirements for this position, which are exceedingly high. They must have vision of no less than 20/40 in one eye, 20/50 uncorrected, both eyes to be corrected to 20/20. They must have no color deficiency whatever.

Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation undergo a rigorous training program. All newly appointed Special Agents in the Federal Bureau of Investigation attend training classes for a period of sixteen weeks; the hours of training are from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. daily, which course of study is equivalent to two full years of college study. During this period of training, they are thoroughly instructed in the basic rules and regulations and jurisdictions of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. They must satisfactorily pass numerous written examinations during their period of training. If a trainee fails to pass any of these examinations, he is dropped from the school.

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I, J. Edgar Hoover, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and that the foregoing statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of June 1944

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Notary Public

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Mr.
Miss
Mrs. Mr. William S. Tavel

Date February 1, 1944

New appointment [ ] Transfer [ ] Promotion [xx] Separation [ ]

PRESENT STATUS

1. Title: Special Agent
2. Grade: CAF 10
3. Salary: $3300 per annum
4. Seat of Government: [ ] Field: [x]
5. Division:
6. Appropriation: Salaries and Expenses, FBI (National Defense)

PROPOSED ACTION

7. Title: Special Agent
8. Grade: CAF 11
9. Salary: $3800 per annum
10. Seat of Government: [ ] Field:* [ ]
11. Division:
12. Appropriation: Salaries and Expenses, FBI (National Defense)
13. Effective: February 1, 1944
14. Position: Additional: [ ] Vice: [x] Identical:
15. Remarks:

Mr. Tavel has been on leave without pay since November 16, 1942. See Hofmfeld necessary

Respectfully submitted,

cc - Chief, Audit Section
cc - CCO, Selective Service

(Title)
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Form approved
Budget Bureau No. 50-R012.
Approval expires Mar. 30, 1945.

ANNUAL REPORT OF EFFICIENCY RATING

ADMINISTRATIVE-UNOFFICIAL ( )
OFFICIAL: REGULAR (xx) SPECIAL ( )
PROBATIONAL or TRIAL PERIOD ( )

As of March 31, 1944 based on performance during period from April 1, 1943 to March 31, 1944

William S. Tavel (Name of employee)

Special Agent, CAF-11 38 A.D. (Title of position, service, and grade)

Federal Bureau of Investigation, Confidential Assignment (Organization—Indicate bureau, division, section, unit, field station)

ON LINES BELOW MARK EMPLOYEE		CHECK ONE:
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✓ (5) Attention to broad phases of assignments.
+ (6) Attention to pertinent detail.
(7) Accuracy of operations.
+ (8) Accuracy of final results.
+ (9) Accuracy of judgments or decisions.
+ (10) Effectiveness in presenting ideas or facts.
✓ (11) Industry.
+ (12) Rate of progress on or completion of assignments.
+ (13) Amount of acceptable work produced. (Is mark based on production records? No. (Yes or no))
✓ (14) Ability to organize his work.
+ (15) Effectiveness in meeting and dealing with others.
+ (16) Cooperativeness.
✓ (17) Initiative.
+ (18) Resourcefulness.
+ (19) Dependability.
✓ (20) Physical fitness for the work.

(21) Effectiveness in planning broad programs.
(22) Effectiveness in adapting the work program to broader or related programs.
(23) Effectiveness in devising procedures.
(24) Effectiveness in laying out work and establishing standards of performance for subordinates.
(25) Effectiveness in directing, reviewing, and checking the work of subordinates.
(26) Effectiveness in instructing, training, and developing subordinates in the work.
(27) Effectiveness in promoting high working morale.
(28) Effectiveness in determining space, personnel, and equipment needs.
(29) Effectiveness in setting and obtaining adherence to time limits and deadlines.
(30) Ability to make decisions.
(31) Effectiveness in delegating clearly defined authority to act.

STATE ANY OTHER ELEMENTS CONSIDERED

✓ (A) Ability to direct and lead raids and dangerous assignments.
(B)
(C)

STANDARD
Deviations must be explained on reverse side of this form

	Adjective rating
Plus marks on all underlined elements, and no minus marks	Excellent
Plus marks on at least half of the underlined elements, and no minus marks	Very good
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and any minus marks overcompensated by plus marks	Good
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and minus marks not overcompensated by plus marks	Fair
Minus marks on at least half of the underlined elements	Unsatisfactory

Adjective rating

Rating official VERY GOOD H.S.T.

Reviewing official

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Rated by [signature] (Signature of rating official) Legal Attaché (Title) April 1, 1944 (Date)

Reviewed by [signature] (Signature of reviewing official) Assistant Director (Title) Assistant Director Federal Bureau of Investigation April 26, 1944 (Date)

Rating approved by efficiency rating committee _____ (Date) Report to employee _____ (Adjective rating) MAY 10 1944

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9-8-41

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
April 1, 1944

Re: William S. Tavel
Special Agent

Mr. Tavel arrived in Rio de Janeiro in January, 1943, and has been stationed here in an undercover capacity since that time.

This representative has always maintained Bureau loyalty, enthusiasm and proper attitude towards his work. He dresses well, presents a mature appearance and is of a genial nature.

The volume of work submitted by this Agent has been average. The reports that he has submitted have shown commendatory appreciation of detail and accuracy. His ability to dictate is above average. He is proficient in the use of a typewriter, although he does not take shorthand. Tavel is experienced and capable in the operation of an automobile.

I am unable to report to the Bureau as to his ability to handle dangerous assignments, operate on a physical surveillance or testify, but believe that in each of these instances he could perform satisfactorily.

By virtue of his assignment he has had no opportunity to contact officially law enforcement personnel, although he has made several business contacts throughout the city. It should be noted further that Tavel has in the past handled a Brazilian informant having good connections in the local customs department and around the waterfront. Likewise, he has attempted to elicit information from the wife of an alleged spy. He has not, however, reported the development of any informants.

Tavel has maintained his cover well, avoiding suspicion and unnecessary comment, although from a practical viewpoint his cover has worn thin.

Tavel has organized and initiated investigations on the assignments made to him in an efficient manner. He has shown an aptitude for translation work, file reviews, etc., and in general his work has been confined to cases involving subversive activities. He has conducted no criminal investigations.

There has been no opportunity for me to determine his supervisory or administrative abilities. He has accepted and discharged all assignments with a minimum of supervision, however, considering the nature of his work.

Tavel is able to read Portuguese fluently and carry on daily conversations of a business or social nature in a very satisfactory manner. He studied French for three years in high school, and for a similar period in college, and is able to read that language. However, his speaking ability is poor. He has a limited reading knowledge of Spanish.

He appears to be enjoying good health.

Based on the above observations, I feel that this Agent is entitled to an efficiency rating of VERY GOOD.

William J. Bradley
Legal Attaché

H.A.T.
Employee's
Initials

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. _____

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who had contributed to this fund subsequent to April 15, 1944, and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of ten dollars ($10.00), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name SAME AS BEFORE Address _____

Relationship _____ Dated _____

Very truly yours,

William S. Tavel
Special Agent

Ack 4-3-44 mhb

File mhb

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
March 14, 1944

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: Language Ability of
William S. Tavel.
Brazil - Administrative.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of January 15, 1944 to Mr. Francis E. Crosby, American Embassy, Buenos Aires, Argentina, entitled, "Language Ability of Employees," wherein it was requested that this office submit a list of all employees in Brazil, indicating their reading and speaking abilities in all languages other than English of which they have any knowledge whatsoever.

With respect to Mr. Tavel it should be noted that he is able to read PORTUGUESE fluently and can carry on daily conversations of a business or social nature in a satisfactory manner. He studied FRENCH for three years in high school and for a similar period in college, and is able to read that language. His ability to speak it, however, is poor. With respect to SPANISH he is able to read it with some hesitation.

The above is based on my personal observations and those of Mr. Tavel himself.

Very truly yours,

W. J. Bradley

WJB:HAW

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App. Not Req.

Local Board No. 138
New Haven County
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City Hall
Waterbury 35, Conn.

(Local Board Date Stamp With Code)

March 8, 1944.

(Date of mailing of Notice of Classification to Registrant)

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MAR 15 1944

You are advised that—

William. Saxby
(First name) (Middle name) (Last name)

Order No. 294 has been classified in Class

until August 10/44, 19
(Insert date for Class II-A and II-B only)

by ☒ Local Board.

☐ Board of Appeal (by vote of ..... to .....).

☐ President.

DSS Form 59
(Revised 3-29-43)

(See other side)

(Member or clerk of local board)

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Appeal Procedure

Any person entitled to do so may take an appeal to the board of appeal within 10 days after the above date of mailing of Notice of Classification to registrant in either of the following ways:

(1) By filing with the local board a written notice of appeal. Such notice need not be in any particular form but must state the name of the registrant and the name and identity of the person appealing so as to show the right of appeal.

(2) By signing the "Appeal to Board of Appeal" on the Selective Service Questionnaire (Form 40).

When an appeal is taken from the classification or reclassification of a registrant and when such appeal is upon the ground that the registrant should have been deferred by reason of his occupation, the appeal shall be transferred to the board of appeal having jurisdiction over the area in which the registrant is employed, provided all of the following conditions are met (but not otherwise):

(1) The first person to appeal from such classification or reclassification files with his appeal a written request for such transfer;

(2) The written request states in what respect an occupational question is involved; and

(3) The written request states the name of the registrant's employer and the street address, county, and State where the registrant is employed.

The person appealing may attach to his notice of appeal or to the Selective Service Questionnaire (Form 40) a statement specifying the respects in which he believes the local board erred, may direct attention to any information in the registrant's file which he believes the local board has failed to consider or give sufficient weight, and may set out in full any information which was offered to the local board and which the local board failed or refused to include in the registrant's file.

Appeal to the President from classification by the board of appeal may be taken at any time within 10 days after the date of mailing of notice to registrant, provided the registrant was classified by the board of appeal in either Class I-A, Class I-A-O, or Class IV-E and one or more members of the board of appeal dissented from such classification. Otherwise, the decision of the board of appeal is final except when an appeal is taken to the President either by the State Director of Selective Service or the Director of Selective Service on the ground that he deems it to be in the national interest or necessary to avoid an injustice.

16—33835-1 U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

WMW:HH

February 10, 1944

Local Board Number 15-B
Selective Service System
City Hall
Waterbury, Connecticut

RE: WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL
Order Number 894

Gentlemen:

The Review Committee of the War Manpower Commission, established under the provisions of Executive Order 9309, has determined the position of Special Agent held by Mr. Tavel to be a key position within the meaning of said Executive Order.

The Agency Committee of this Bureau, which has been established in accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 9309, recommends that the attached Forms 42 and 42 S be forwarded to you requesting occupational deferment on behalf of Mr. Tavel. I would appreciate having these affidavits made a part of the file of the above-named registrant, and request your consideration of the same when you determine his classification.

At the present time this employee is serving outside the continental limits of the United States and it is also requested that the permit to leave the country which you previously granted be extended in order that the Bureau may continue to use Mr. Tavel on assignments outside the continental limits of the United States. Since there is no Board of Appeal organized in the area where this employee is principally employed, Local Board Memorandum Number 188 provides that there is to be no appeal by law in any such case.

Should you want any additional information do not hesitate to call upon me. I shall keep you promptly advised of any change in the occupational status of this registrant.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

CC: Review Committee, War Manpower Commission
Mr. Ladd

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AUTHORIZED COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING REQUEST
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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WILLIAM SANDY TAVEL

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15-B New Haven Waterbury Connecticut

Mr. Tavel is a Special Agent and as such holds a key position as designated by the Review Committee of the War Manpower Commission within the meaning of Executive Order 9309. The performance of his duties is essential and critical to the execution of the work assigned by law and Executive Directive to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

To the Federal Bureau of Investigation is assigned the responsibility of investigating all acts of espionage, sabotage and all actions tending to undermine the internal security of the nation. We must also investigate and enforce all these federal statutes assigned to the investigative jurisdiction of this Bureau such as: bank robbery, kidnaping, interference with the interstate transportation of goods, National Stolen Property Act, White Slave Traffic Act, etc., the enforcement of which is necessary to the preservation of the national health, safety and interest.

To carry on this work it is necessary to maintain a corps of trained investigators. Mr. Tavel is such a trained investigator. In the attached Form 42 S further information relative to Mr. Tavel is set forth.

J. Edgar Hoover

Washington, D. C.

10th February 44

Notary Public

WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL

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15-B Waterbury New Haven Connecticut

Special Agent xx

U.S. Department of Justice Federal Bureau of Investigation

See attachment. Mr. Tavel is an investigatory agent charged with the duty of investigating violations of the laws of the United States, collecting evidence in cases in which the United States is or may be a party in interest, and performing other duties, imposed upon him by law. He is at present assigned to a highly confidential assignment outside the continental limits of the United States. He can be contacted through

Sept. 8, 1941 F.B.I. Headquarters, Washington, D. C. 3800

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Liberty Mutual Ins.Co.	New York, N.Y.	11-39	8-41	Investigator	$1750
Washington & Lee Univ.	Lexington, Va.	1934	1938	B.A.	Commerce & French
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Yes June 7, 1943

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February 10, 1944

SPECIAL AGENTS

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of February 1944

Notary Public

DECLASSIFICATION AUTHORITY DERIVED FROM:
FBI AUTOMATIC DECLASSIFICATION GUIDE
DATE 10-17-2023 BY: [redacted]

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January 31, 1944

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~
~~VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR POUCH~~

SIS#111

Dear Sir:

Wm. S. Farrell

Please advise Number 552 that he is being promoted from $3500.00 per annum in Grade CAF-10 to $3800.00 per annum in Grade CAF-11 effective February 1, 1944.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
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December 16, 1943

Special Efficiency Report

Re: WILLIAM S. TAVEL
SPECIAL AGENT - SIS
EOD BUREAU: 9-8-41
GRADE CAF-10,
SALARY: $3500.

EOD 9-8-41

Special Agent Tavel has been engaged on a special confidential assignment (leave without pay status) since November 16, 1942.

Agent Tavel presents a satisfactory personal appearance and creates a good impression. During the course of his special assignment, he conducted his duties very satisfactorily and has shown enthusiasm and initiative in his work. He is believed to be at least average as a Bureau Agent and it is believed that he will develop further as he gains more experience in the Bureau's service.

It is believed that Agent Tavel is entitled to a rating of "Good" at this time.

Due to the nature of his present assignment, Agent Tavel is not initialing this report.

C. H. CARSON

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REPORT OF EFFICIENCY RATING

REGULAR ( ); INTER[redacted])
PROBATIONARY—1ST ( ) 2D ( )

Classification Symbols		
CAF	10	$3500
(Service)	(Grade)	(Class)

As of 12-16-43 based on performance during period from 4-1-43 to 12-16-43

WILLIAM S. TAVEL (Name of employee) — SPECIAL AGENT (Title of position) — FBI (Bureau)

SECURITY (FIVE) (Division) — SIS (Section) — (Subsection or unit) — (Field office)

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STATE ANY OTHER ELEMENTS CONSIDERED

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____ (B) ____
____ (C) ____

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A majority of underlined elements marked plus, and no element marked minus	Very good	2 or 3
All underlined elements marked at least with a check, and minus marks fully compensated by plus marks, or—a majority of underlined elements marked at least with a check, and minus marks on underlined elements overcompensated by plus marks on underlined elements	Good	4, 5, or 6
A majority of underlined elements marked at least with a check, and minus marks not fully compensated by plus marks	Fair	7 or 8
A majority of underlined elements marked minus	Unsatisfactory	9

	Adjective rating	Numerical rating
Rating official	GOOD	
Reviewing official		

On the whole, do you consider the conduct of this employee to be satisfactory? YES (Yes or no) (See back of form)

Rated by C. H. Carson (Signature of rating official) — SECTION CHIEF (Title) — 12-16-43 (Date)

Reviewed by [signature] (Signature of reviewing official) — ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (Title) — 12-17-43 (Date)

Rating approved by efficiency rating committee ____ (Date) Report to employee ____ (Adjective rating) ____ (Numerical rating)

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CONDUCT REPORT

(This space is to be used in case the question on the face of the sheet regarding the employee's conduct has been answered "No." In such a case give here a full statement of the particulars in which the employee's conduct has not been satisfactory.)

(Signature)

EXPLANATION OF DEVIATIONS FROM STANDARD

(Signature)

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

JWM:dmm

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
January 12, 1944

Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Nease
Miss Beahm
Miss Gandy

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. GLAVIN

RE: WILLIAM S. TAVEL
Special Agent
SIS

REALLOCATION

Agent Tavel entered on duty 9-8-41, was reallocated to grade CAF-10, $3500 per annum on 7-1-42, and is presently being considered for reallocation to grade CAF-11, $3800 per annum.

A permanent brief of his file is attached.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Agent Tavel be reallocated to grade CAF-11, $3800 per annum.

Respectfully,

M. W. Acers

2/1/44: Noted on Confidential Rolls.
C. H. Carson

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FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

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DATE 10-17-2023 BY: [redacted]

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January 21, 1944

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~
~~VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR POUCH~~

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RE: William Saxby Tavel

Dear Sir:

The following information regarding William S. Tavel is being furnished you for your confidential information and inclusion in his Field Personnel File:

NAME	William S. Tavel
TITLE	Special Agent
EOD BUREAU	September 8, 1941
EOD SIS	November 16, 1942
GRADE AND SALARY	CAF-10, $3500
AGE	28 years
MARITAL STATUS	Single
OFFICE OF PREFERENCE	New York ✓
LAST ASSIGNMENT	New York
EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS	AB
LANGUAGE ABILITY	French Portuguese

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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. _____

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who has contributed to this fund subsequent to December 18, 1943, and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of ten dollars ($10.00), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name Same as before Address _____

Relationship _____ Dated November 30, 1943

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Very truly yours,

William S. Tavel
Special Agent

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who has contributed to this fund subsequent to August 31, 1943, and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of ten dollars (~~$10.00~~ 3.00), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

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The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name Same as before Address

Relationship Dated

Very truly yours,

William S. Tavel
Special Agent

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Ack 9-22-43

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November 16, 1943

In reply, please refer
to [redacted]

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR POUCH

SIS [redacted]

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Re: [redacted]

NOV 22 1943

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated September 14, 1943, in the captioned matter.

[redacted]

b7E

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NOV 22 1943

Rio de Jameiro, Brazil
September 10, 1943

Dear Sir:

Re: Income tax returns
for year 1943.
Brazil - Administrative

Please refer to my letter of September 8, 1943 transmitting income tax returns of certain employees in Brazil.

Attached you will find Declarations of Estimated Income and victory Tax Returns for calendar year 1943 of the following employees:

Robert H. Dahlgren	Peter Roth
Joseph P. O'Sullivan	William S. Tavel
George G. McKenna	David L. Harris
C. Hal Albro, Jr.	Robert H. Reno

Additional executed forms will be promptly forwarded to the Bureau upon receipt.

Respectfully,

W. J. Bradley

Enclosures: (10)
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Addendum: The income tax declaration of W. Gordon Kauck has just been received and is also enclosed. That of Thomas S. Hopkins is likewise enclosed.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

United States Department of Justice
510 Trust Company Building
New Haven, 10, Connecticut
September 4, 1943

Director, FBI

Re: WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL
Order No. 294
SELECTIVE SERVICE STATUS

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of August 10, 1943, to Local Board 15B, Waterbury, Connecticut, stating that DSS Form 42A (Revised) had been executed requesting occupational deferment on behalf of Mr. TAVEL.

Please be advised that on September 2, 1943, Special Agent FRANK V. BATTLE contacted Miss HELEN YONQUIST of the above Board, who stated that Mr. TAVEL's deferment had been continued in Class 2B until February 16, 1944, and that Form 42A had been made a part of his file.

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In view of this action, nothing further is being done by this office.

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Very truly yours,

R H Simons

R. H. Simons
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Mr. Ladd

FVB:MB
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Noted
WMW

FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

Standard Form No. 51
Appr. Jan. 5, 1942
C. S. C. Dept. Cir. No. 302

REPORT OF EFFICIENCY RATING

REGULAR (X); INTERIM PROBATIONARY—1ST ( ) 2D

Classification Symbols		
CAF	10	$3500
(Service)	(Grade)	(Class)

As of MARCH 31, 1943 based on performance during period from 4/1/42 to 3/31/43

WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL (Name of employee) — SPECIAL AGENT (Title of position) — FBI (Bureau)

SECURITY (FIVE) (Division) — SIS (Section) — (Subsection or unit) — (Field office)

ON LINES BELOW MARK EMPLOYEE:
V if adequate
— if weak
+ if outstanding

1. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position.
2. Rate only on elements pertinent to the position.
   a. Do not rate on elements in *italics* except for employees in administrative, supervisory, or planning positions.
   b. Rate administrative, supervisory, and planning employees on all elements pertinent to the position whether in *italics* or not.
3. Before rating, become thoroughly familiar with instructions in the rating manual.

CHECK ONE:
Administrative, supervisory, or planning ____ ☐
All others ____ ☐

____ (1) Maintenance of equipment, tools, instruments.
____ (2) Mechanical skill.
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____ (4) Presentability of work (appropriateness of arrangement and appearance of work).
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MAR 31 1943

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A majority of underlined elements marked at least with a check, and minus marks not fully compensated by plus marks	Fair	7 or 8
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Rating official	GOOD	
Reviewing official		

On the whole, do you consider the conduct of this employee to be satisfactory? YES (Yes or no) (See back of form)

Rated by C. H. Carson (Signature of rating official) — SECTION CHIEF (Title) — 3/31/43 (Date)

Reviewed by D. M. Ladd (Signature of reviewing official) — ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (Title) — 4/1/43 (Date)

Rating approved by efficiency rating committee ____ (Date) Report to employee ____ (Adjective rating) ____ (Numerical rating)

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CONDUCT REPORT

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(Signature)

EXPLANATION OF DEVIATIONS FROM STANDARD

(Signature)

MARCH 31, 1943

Re: WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL
SPECIAL AGENT
EOD 9/8/41
CAF-10 $3500.00

Special Agent Tavel has been engaged on a special confidential undercover assignment (leave without pay status) since November 16, 1942.

This Agent presents a good appearance. His personality is above average. He seems to be a sincere, conscientious individual who is probably more enthusiastic than his outward show of enthusiasm would indicate. He is believed to be sincerely interested. His attitude seems to be quite satisfactory. It is believed that he has a good investigative background in the Bureau; that he is intelligent, alert, and a good, competent Bureau Agent. He has performed his duties to date in a satisfactory manner. His work has not been outstanding but he seems to have at least average prospects for development, improvement, and progress with regard to special confidential undercover work. He is believed to be at least average as a Bureau Agent, with good prospects for future development in the service.

Due to the nature of his present assignment, Agent Tavel is not initialing this report.

C. H. CARSON

WMW:ecw

August 10, 1943

Local Board Number 15-B
Selective Service System
City Hall
Waterbury, Connecticut

RE: WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL
Order Number 294

Gentlemen:

The Review Committee of the War Manpower Commission, established under the provisions of Executive Order 9309, has determined the position of Special Agent held by Mr. Tavel to be a key position within the meaning of said Executive Order. At the present time Mr. Tavel is performing duties on a highly confidential assignment outside the continental limits of the United States.

The Agency Committee of this Bureau, which has been established in accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 9309, recommends that the attached D.S.S. Form 42-A (Revised) which has been executed by me under date of August 6, 1943, and countersigned by the Chairman of the Agency Committee, be forwarded to you requesting occupational deferment on behalf of Mr. Tavel.

I would appreciate having this affidavit made a part of the file of the above-named registrant, and request your consideration of the same when you determine his classification. Should you want any additional information, do not hesitate to call upon me. I shall keep you promptly advised of any change in the occupational status of this registrant.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

CC: Review Committee, War Manpower Commission
CC: Mr. Ladd
CC: SAC, New Haven

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WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL

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15-B New Haven Waterbury, Connecticut

Special Agent

See attachment. Mr. Tavel is an investigatory agent charged with the duty of investigating violations of the laws of the United States, collecting evidence in cases in which the United States is or may be a party in interest, and performing other duties imposed upon him by law. He is at present assigned to a highly confidential assignment outside the continental limits of the United States

September 8, 1941 September 8, 1941

3500. annually See attachment

A.B. degree, Washington and Lee University

See attachment

See attachment

Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

See attachment

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Washington, D. C.

J. Edgar Hoover

the Director

6th August 43

Chairman

SPECIAL AGENTS

This position has been designated as a key position by the Review Committee of the War Manpower Commission.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has been designated as the sole civilian government investigative agency having jurisdiction over the investigation of matters pertaining to national defense such as espionage, sabotage, registration of agents of foreign principals, sedition, treason, and the like, and further, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has sole investigative jurisdiction in a great number of other Federal statutes which embrace bank robbery, kidnaping, extortion, white slave traffic, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, and numerous others. The investigative work in connection with the above violations is performed by the Special Agent personnel of this Bureau, who are recruited from applicants between the ages of twenty-three and forty. They must be graduates of a law school or an accounting school with the necessary accounting experience, or graduates of a university with extensive investigative experience, or with linguistic qualifications, or have basic educational training and possess satisfactory prior law enforcement experience which will enable them to satisfactorily perform the duties imposed upon them. For certain of the scientific investigative work, Special Agents are secured who primarily are qualified in the sciences, such as ballistics, chemical analysis, spectography, cryptography, mineralogy, metallography, toxicology, and other like sciences. Applicants for appointment to the position of Special Agent must meet the physical standards and requirements for this position, which are exceedingly high. They must have vision of no less than 20/40 in one eye, 20/50 uncorrected, both eyes to be corrected to 20/20. They must have no color deficiency whatever.

Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation undergo a rigorous training program. All newly appointed Special Agents in the Federal Bureau of Investigation attend training classes for a period of sixteen weeks; the hours of training are from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. daily, which course of study is equivalent to two full years of college study. During this period of training, they are thoroughly instructed in the basic rules and regulations and jurisdictions of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. They must satisfactorily pass numerous written examinations during their period of training. If a trainee fails to pass any of these examinations, he is dropped from the school.

The duties of a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation are most arduous. They must be available at a moment's notice to go to any part of the United States or to any assignment outside the United States. The hours of duty for these employees are such that they must be in excellent physical health. The average work week for a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is no less than seventy hours. The work of a Special Agent, regardless of his particular qualification, is such that he cannot lead a sedentary or well regulated life. Due to the small number of Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation presently handling the work under the jurisdiction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation within and without the continental United States, it is necessary that the entire staff be highly mobile.

Special Agents are required to be able to conduct investigations in more than 100 types of cases, including espionage, sabotage, subversive activities, frauds against the government, kidnaping, extortion, bank robbery, White Slave

Traffic Act, etc. They are trained in and required to maintain constant skill in the use of highly technical equipment, technical processes, such as those necessary for the development of latent fingerprints, concealed or obliterated numbers upon firearms, to understand the use of code messages, to conduct physical surveillances of subjects of espionage and similar cases, sometimes for periods of many months, and when necessary, to assume a necessary character to enable them to fit in an undercover capacity into the activities and operations of groups such as foreign agents, who are engaged in thwarting the war effort.

The arduousness and importance of the work of Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation was readily recognized by the military and naval leaders. The Chief of the Bureau of Navigation, for the Secretary of the Navy, requested Special Agent employees of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to submit their resignations from reserve commissions held by them in the naval services because it had been determined that those Special Agents could better serve their country in their present assignments than if they were to be called into active naval service. The Secretary of War, in 1942, addressed personal communications to 168 Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation who at that time held reserve commissions in the Army. The Secretary of War at that time advised the Special Agents that their employment in the FBI is of such vital importance to the national defense as to necessitate their remaining at their posts of duty despite the fact that they held reserve commissions in the United States Army, and the request was made that these Agents, through the proper channels, submit their resignations from their commissions.

General Lewis B. Hershey of the Selective Service System pointed out in his Directive to all Local Boards of December 29, 1941, that Special Agent positions of the FBI were most important and essential to the national health, safety, and interests, and that the national defense functions of the FBI should not be impaired by the removal of trained personnel from critical positions in the Bureau.

The position of Special Agent has always been considered the most critical of all positions in the FBI, since, with the tremendous bulk of work placed upon us due to the war emergency, it is essential that a trained qualified staff be available for the handling of this work. If the Federal Bureau of Investigation cannot continue to retain its personnel in this critical position, aid and comfort would most certainly be given to the enemy and others whose interests are inimical to the best interests of the country today. Up to the present time the full complement of Special Agent personnel has not been secured and every effort is being made to secure the necessary additional Special Agent personnel.

I, J. Edgar Hoover, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and that the foregoing statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

_____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of August 1943

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Notary Public

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
August 8, 1943

Dear Sir:

Re: Income tax returns
for year 1943.
Brazil - Administrative

Transmitted herewith are Declarations of Estimated Income and Victory Tax Returns for calendar year 1943 of the following named Bureau representatives:

Oscar E. Findling	John A. Kehos
Carlton A. Rood	Stanley E. Bodziak
Peter G. Levathes	William H. Wheeler, Jr.
William S. Tavel	John C. O'Connor
Manuel M. Liodas	Charles F. Hemphill, Jr.
Peter G. Roth, Jr.	Stanley R. Russo
Alfred A. Pease	William S. Crawford
William J. Bradley	Robert E. Shaw

Additional executed forms will be promptly forwarded to the Bureau upon receipt.

Respectfully,

W. J. Bradley

WJB:FT
Enclosures (16)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
OCT 11 1943
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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June 26, 1943

Mr. Francis D. Willoughby
Utica Mutual Insurance Company
First National Bank Building
Utica, New York

8 JUL 1 1943

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Dear Mr. Willoughby:

This is to acknowledge your letter of June 14, 1943, inquiring as to the whereabouts of Mr. William S. Tavel, an employee of this Bureau.

You are advised Mr. Tavel may be contacted by addressing a communication to him in care of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice Building, Washington, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

CC-Mr. Carson

Mr. Tolson
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June 14, 1943

Personnel Department
F. B. I., Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Re: William Saxby Tavel

Gentlemen:

The Automobile Liability Policy of the above insured expired in April and we sent the renewal policy to his last known address which was the Buffalo Athletic Club, Buffalo, New York. He could not be located there but we were advised to address him in care of your office at Washington. Our letter has not been returned nor have we had any answer.

Will you please advise if he is employed in your Department and his present address?

We do not like to cancel the renewal of his Automobile Insurance unless we know that he has obtained insurance or does not need it, nor can we keep the policy effective any longer.

Your answer will help us clear up the matter.

Very truly yours,

Francis D. Willoughby

Francis D. Willoughby
Manager, Production Department

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June 19, 1943

Mr. William S. Tavel
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
New York, New York

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
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Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. McGuire
Mr. Mumford
Mr. Piper
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your contribution of $5.00 to the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any participating Special Agent of the Bureau who dies, from any cause except self-destruction, while employed as a Special Agent. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who has contributed to this fund subsequent to ~~September 4, 1942,~~ January 15, 1943 and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of five dollars ($5), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $5,000.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name Same as before Address

Relationship Dated 2/27/43

Very truly yours,

N.Y. Lowell 6-19-43 AHW

William S. Tavel
Special Agent

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

United States Department of Justice

510 Trust Company Building
New Haven, Connecticut
March 13, 1943

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Director, FBI

Re: SPECIAL AGENT WILLIAM S. TAVEL
SELECTIVE SERVICE STATUS

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated February 16, 1943 directed to Mr. J. Warren Upson, Chairman of Local Draft Board 15-B, City Hall, Waterbury, Connecticut, requesting additional deferment in Class II-B for Agent Tavel who has Order Number 294.

On March 11, 1943 Mr. J. Warren Upson, Chairman, and Miss Helen Ljungquist, Chief Clerk, advised Special Agent Linscott Tyler of this office that on March 8, 1943 additional deferment in Class II-B was granted to Agent Tavel, which deferment will expire on September 8, 1943.

Inasmuch as additional deferment has been granted Agent Tavel, no further action is being taken by this office.

Very truly yours,

R H Simons 2155-28-65
R. H. Simons,
Special Agent in Charge

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cc - Mr. C. E. Carson

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March 24, 1943

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Local Board Number 15-B
Selective Service System
City Hall
Waterbury, Connecticut

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your communication of March 16, 1943, wherein you advised that Mr. William S. Tavel, Order Number 294, has been continued in Class II-B until September 8, 1943.

I desire at this time to express my appreciation for your courtesy in advising me of the action of your Board in this matter, and you may be assured that in the event there is any change in his occupational status, I will promptly advise you.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
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CLASSIFICATION ADVICE

Local Board No. 15B 11
New Haven County 009

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(Local Board Date Stamp With Code)
Waterbury, Conn.

March 16, 1943.
(Date of mailing of Notice of Classification to Registrant)

You are advised that—

William (First name) Saxby (Middle name) Tavel (Last name)

Order No. 294 has been classified in Class II B

Until Sept. 8/43 (Insert date for Class II-A and II-B only), 19____

by ☐ Local Board.

☐ Board of Appeal (by vote of ____ to ____).

☐ President.

Appeal from classification by local board must be made by signing appeal form on back of questionnaire at office of local board, or by filing written notice of appeal within 10 days after the above date of mailing of notice to registrant.

If you believe that it is in the national interest or necessary to avoid an injustice that further consideration be given to the registrant's case after classification by the board of appeal, consult the Selective Service Regulations, the Government appeal agent, the occupational advisor, or the State Director of Selective Service.

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New York, N. Y.
February 22, 1943

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Director, FBI

Dear Sir:

As requested in Bureau letter of February 16th, there are forwarded under separate cover, accompanied by copies of this letter, the field personnel files of the employees listed below, who are presently on special confidential assignment:

C. HAL ALBRO, JR.
L. L. ARNOLD
JAMES H. BERRY
LEO S. BRENNEISEN
WILLIAM BROWN BUTLER
MARTIN F. CAREY
JOHN O. CAVADINE
WILLIAM D. CHAPPERS
ALBERT PIERCE CLARK
HYDE T. CLAYTON
ELVIN B. CONNOLLY
RAYMOND COWARD
FRANCIS E. CROSBY
KENNETH M. CROSBY
ROBERT N. DAHLGREN
ROBERT E. DOWD
MARTIN N. ERCK
WILLIAM G. FRIEDEMANN
DONALD V. GIBBS
RICHARD C. GODFREY
VERNON L. GOODIN
JOHN M. HART
JOHN ROBERT HEAGEN
JAMES W. HOTCHKISS

ROBERT G. DEW, JR., (A)
EMERSON E. DOWNING, (A)

FRANK R. LONGO
DAVID E. MAAS
JOHN P. LARKIN
WILLIAM A. LEECE
EDWARD J. MARTIN
RAMSEY L. MOORE
HORACE W. MORELOCK
WILLIAM L. MULCAHY, JR.
BIRCH D. O'NEAL
SAM PAPICH
CARL T. RENNE
DONALD E. RONEY
JOHN T. ROUSSEAU
JOHN F. SIMONS
MARK S. PERRY
JOHN C. STOREY
ORVILLE R. TALBURTT
WILLIAM S. TAVEL
HUBERT IRVING TEITELBAUM
JOHN O. THOMAS
HENRY M. WAGNER
JACK WEST
HARRY E. WILSON
J. [illegible] CUSSEN (Clerk)

G. LAWRENCE KELLER (A)

MAR 13 1943

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Director.

The personnel file of John Christensen, Clerk, was forwarded to the Bureau by letter of February 1, 1943.

The personnel file of Special Agent Arthur M. Thurston was forwarded to the Bureau by letter of December 7, 1942.

The records of this office show Agent Robert F. Kelley as engaged on a special confidential assignment, however his name does not appear in your letter of February 16th. I should appreciate your advice as to whether this Agent is still on such assignment or has been transferred to another office, in order that his file may be forwarded.

This office will await notification from the Bureau of the selection of Agents for special confidential assignment after completion of their language training, before forwarding their field personnel files.

Yours truly,

E. E. CONROY
Special Agent in Charge.

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New York, N. Y.
February 25, 1943

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Director, FBI

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from this office dated February 22, 1943, advising of the forwarding to the Bureau of the personnel files of Agents from this office who are presently on special confidential assignment. This is in accordance with Bureau letter of February 16th.

There are being forwarded under separate cover, accompanied by copies of this letter, the firearms training cards and leave cards of the Agents listed below:

C. HAL ALBRO, JR.
L. L. ARNOLD
JAMES H. BERRY
LEO S. BRENNEISEN
WILLIAM BROWN BUTLER
MARTIN F. CAREY
JOHN O. CAVADINE
WILLIAM D. CHAPPERS
ALBERT PIERCE CLARK
HYDE T. CLAYTON
ELVIN B. CONNOLLY
RAYMOND COWARD
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DONALD V. GIBBS
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JOHN ROBERT HEAGEN
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JOHN P. LARKIN
WILLIAM A. LEECE
EDWARD J. MARTIN
RAMSEY L. MOORE
HORACE W. MORELOCK
WILLIAM L. MULCAHY, JR.
BIRCH D. O'NEAL
SAM PAPICH
CARL T. RENNE
DONALD E. RONEY
JOHN T. ROUSSEAU
JOHN F. SIMONS
MARK SPERRY
JOHN C. STOREY
ORVILLE R. TALBURTT
WILLIAM S. TAVEL
HUBERT IRVING TEITELBAUM
JOHN O. THOMAS
HENRY M. WADE
JACK WEST
HARRY E. WILSON
ROBERT G. DEW, JR. (A)
EMERSON E. DOWNING (A)
G. LAWRENCE KELLER (A)

Director

There are also forwarded the leave cards of the following clerical employees, who are presently on special confidential assigrment:

JOHN CHRISTENSEN
THOMAS F. CONNELLY
JOHN CUSSEN

Yours truly,

E. E. CONROY
Special Agent in Charge.

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February 16, 1943

SAC, New York

Dear Sir:

It is desired you transmit to the Bureau the Field Personnel Files on the following Special Agents and Clerical Employees who are presently on Special Confidential Assignment:

C. Hal Albro, Jr.
L. L. Arnold
James H. Berry
Leo S. Brenneisen
William Brown Butler
Martin F. Carey
John O. Cavadino
William D. Chappers
Albert Pierce Clark
Hyde T. Clayton
Elvin B. Connolly
Raymond Coward
Francis E. Crosby
Kenneth M. Crosby
Robert N. Dahlgren
Robert E. Dowd
Martin N. Erck
William G. Friedemann
Donald V. Gibbs
Richard O. Godfrey
Vernon L. Goodin
John M. Hart
John Robert Heagen
James W. Hotchkiss
Frank R. Longo
David E. Maas
~~John F. Larkin~~
William A. Leece
Edward J. Martin
Ramsey L. Moore
Horace W. Morelock
William L. Mulcahy, Jr.
Birch D. O'Neal
Sam Papich
Carl T. Renne
Donald E. Roney
John T. Rousseau
John F. Simons
Mark Sperry
John C. Storey
Orville R. Talburtt
William S. Tavel
Hubert Irving Teitelbaum
John O. Thomas
Arthur H. Thurston
Henry M. Wade
Jack West
Harry E. Wilson
Robert G. Dew, Jr. (A)
Emerson E. Downing (A)
G. Lawrence Keller (A)
J. C. Cussen (Clk.)
John Christensen (Clk.)

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clogg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
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Mr. Coffey
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Kramer
Mr. McGuire
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

In the future you will be requested to forward the Field Personnel Files of those Clerical Employees called in for Special Confidential Assignment and of all Special Agents who are selected for Special Confidential assignment after they have completed their language training.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

WMW:LMN

February 16, 1943

Mr. J. Warren Upson
Chairman
Local Board Number 15 B
Selective Service System
City Hall
Waterbury, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Upson:

Reference is made to the Selective Service case of Mr. William S. Tavel, who is duly registered at your Board as Order Number 294. You will recall that as a result of my previous request for occupational deferment, he has been continued in Class II-B until February 27, 1943.

Mr. Tavel is still employed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation as a trained Special Agent and as such is presently engaged on a highly confidential assignment outside the continental limits of the United States for an indefinite duration. In this position he possesses the necessary highly specialized training and technical knowledge so essential to the performance of his duties in connection with the successful war effort that it is not possible to replace him at this time. Accordingly, I desire to request that he be granted additional deferment in Class II-B. This is in accordance with Local Board Release Number 75, issued by General Hershey of National Selective Service Headquarters under date of December 29, 1941.

Your previous cooperation in this matter is indeed appreciated, and of course, I shall keep you promptly advised as to any change whatsoever in his occupational status with this Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
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OKb # Paul E. Miller 3/20/43

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cc: Mr. Carson
cc: SAC New Haven

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Rio de Janeiro
February 5, 1943

Dear Sir:

- Re: Payment of 1942 Federal Income Tax;
Brazil - Administrative

Reference is made to the Bureau Memorandum of January 9, 1943, requesting that the Ricoffice advise as to what arrangements all personnel in Brazil have made in regard to the filing of the Return and payment of the 1942 Federal Income Tax.

You are advised that the following representatives have made appropriate arrangements for the payment of this tax as hereinafter indicated:

Wm. S. Jarvel

(A-27) - He has made arrangements while in the States to have father file the income return and make the necessary payments.

Respectfully,

(William J. Bradley)

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Mr. Edwards
Mr. Hancock
Mr. Brady
Mr. Hall
Mr. Turner
Mr. Keay

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
January 26, 1943

MEMORANDUM: MR. C.H. CARSON

Re: WILLIAM S. TRAVEL
RIO DE JANEIRO

William S. Travel has been in Rio de Janeiro only since the 14th of January 1943 and therefore has not, as yet, had time to make any ~~effort toward~~ progress.

He advised that he is connected with RKO and that he has made contact with the local manager of RKO, one Chelli who is Italian, is not trustworthy and will not, therefore, be apprised of the identity of Mr. Travel.

Mr. Travel stated that he is living at the Luxor Hotel on Avenida Copabacana at the present time but that he has succeeded in obtaining an apartment by himself which will be available within a week's time.

LANGUAGE

Mr. Travel stated that he obtained his training in Portugese by going to Berlitz and that he intended to follow his study of the language in Rio but that he was having some difficulty in locating a tutor. He stated that he had struck up an acquaintance with an English speaking Brazilian employed in the National City Bank and that he had thought about using this individual both as an informant and teacher. This idea was discouraged by the writer when it was determined that the information furnished could only come from this individual's source of employment, i.e., the National City Bank, an American Institution to which access may readily be had through regularly established channels.

It was suggested to Mr. Travel that he run a blind advertisement in the local papers, requesting a tutor and after he has a number of replies, confer with Mr. Bradley, determine what information is available on the various individuals and thus possibly obtain one who could act both as a teacher and source of information. Mr. Travel stated he would consider this and possible use this method.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Charles Gannon

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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November 19, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

RE: WILLIAM S. TAVEL
SPECIAL AGENT

It is requested that William S. Tavel, Special Agent, be placed in a leave without pay status effective 9 a.m., November 16, 1942.

Respectfully,

D. M. Ladd

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

RECOMMENDATION FOR LEAVE WITHOUT PAY

Mr.
Miss
Mrs. Mr. William S. Tavel Date November 16, 1942

1. Title: Special Agent
2. Salary: $3500 per annum
3. Grade: CAF 10
4. Division or Bureau: Federal Bureau of Investigation
5. Appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses, FBI" (National Defense)
6. Commencing (date): 9:00 A. M. November 16, 1942
7. Ending (close of):
8. Indefinite:* Indefinite, length of time unknown
9. Letter to employee required: Yes [ ] No [X]
10. Remarks:**

Mr. Tavel is being placed on leave without pay for an indefinite length of time beginning 9:00 A. M. November 16, 1942.

CC: Chief, Audit Section
CCO Selective Service

Mr. Tolson
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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September 16, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

The following Special Agents are being considered for special undercover assignment, some of whom you have contacted. The balance of the Special Agents in Charge have been contacted by Mr. Jerome Doyle on September 15 and 16, 1942 for the purpose of ascertaining if there exists any official or personal reasons which would prevent the use of these Agents.

COMMENTS

Your comments and the comments of the Special Agents in Charge relative to each Agent are set out forthwith.

DWIGHT HENNINGS DALBEY
FRANCIS B. GARVEY
JAMES TIMOTHY O'BRIEN
MALCOLM MURRAY RINK

You advised telephonically that while Agents Dalbey and Rink are married, they had indicated to you their willingness to accept a SIS assignment for indefinite duration and not be accompanied by their wives on this assignment. With respect to both of these Agents and James Timothy O'Brien, all three being assigned to Division Five, you advised that no official reasons existed why they could not be used on special assignment.

Mr. Doyle telephonically contacted Mr. J. S. Rogers of the Training Division relative to Special Agent Francis B. Garvey and he advised that Agent Garvey was free for this assignment and that no personal reasons existed why he could not accept such an assignment.

It is recommended that Agents Dalbey, Garvey, O'Brien and Rink be used on SIS assignment.

WILLIAM J. CLOTHEIR, II
LAVITOR ALEX GILLIAM, JR.
FRANK R. WARNER

Mr. Doyle telephonically contacted Special Agent in Charge Harold Nathan relative to the availability of the above three Agents. Special Agent in Charge Nathan advised that he knew of no official or personal reasons why any of the three Agents could not be used on SIS assignment. It is recommended that these three Agents be assigned to SIS work.

FACTORY BUY UNITED STATES

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VERNON L. GOODIN
CHARLES F. HEINER
CARL T. RENNE
WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL

Mr. Doyle telephonically contacted Assistant Special Agent in Charge Thomas J. Donegan on September 15, 1942 and inquired as to the availability of all of the above-captioned Agents except Agent Tavel. Mr. Donegan's Office in New York City was contacted relative to Agent Tavel on September 16, 1942. It is assumed in the absence of any advice to the contrary that all these Special Agents are available for SIS assignment but no official or personal reasons exist why they cannot accept this assignment. Consequently, it is recommended that the four above-named Special Agents be transferred to SIS assignment.

E. A. FURBUSH, JR.

Mr. Doyle telephonically contacted Assistant Special Agent in Charge Vincent at the Los Angeles Field Division relative to Special Agent Furbush's availability for SIS assignment. Assistant Special Agent in Charge Vincent advised that Furbush is assigned to the case known as "Mankind United". This case has potentially fifty defendants but there is a strong possibility of Furbush's being a principal witness for the Government in the case in which an indictment is presently expected. At the suggestion of Assistant Special Agent in Charge Vincent, Mr. Doyle telephonically communicated with Supervisor F. J. Smith of the Internal Security Section who stated that he had been unofficially advised by the Department that an indictment in the "Mankind United" case would be authorized by the Department. In view of these facts, it is recommended that Agent Furbush not be called at this time for SIS assignment.

JAMES P. JOICE, JR.

Mr. Doyle telephonically contacted Special Agent in Charge Fletcher at the Seattle Field Division relative to the availability of this Agent and was advised by Special Agent in Charge Fletcher that no personal or official reasons exist preventing Agent Joice's being used on special assignment. It is recommended that Special Agent Joice be transferred to SIS assignment.

ALFRED A. PEASE
O. L. LEWIS

Mr. Doyle telephonically contacted Assistant Special Agent in Charge Van Pelt of the San Francisco Field Division relative to the availability of the above two Special Agents for SIS assignment. Assistant Special Agent in

Charge Van Pelt stated that no official or personal reasons existed preventing the use of Special Agent Pease on SIS assignment. It is recommended that Special Agent Pease be called for SIS assignment.

Relative to Special Agent G. L. Lewis, Assistant Special Agent in Charge Van Pelt advised that Agent Lewis is presently assigned to the case of "Captain Rodriguez Martin", that he is the only Agent out of seven assigned to the case who has developed worthwhile informants, that he is one of two Agents assigned to the case who speaks Spanish, and that it is the opinion of Assistant Special Agent in Charge Van Pelt that to transfer Agent Lewis from the San Francisco Field Division at this time would jeopardize the successful investigation of the case. Assistant Special Agent in Charge Van Pelt advised that the "Martin" case was the most important espionage case on the West Coast and was receiving the personal attention of Inspector Gurnea and had been the subject of a memorandum from you to the Director. In view of the foregoing facts outlined by Assistant Special Agent in Charge Van Pelt, it is recommended that Agent Lewis not be transferred to SIS assignment at this time but that as soon as his usefulness in this particular individual case ceases that he be transferred to SIS assignment in view of his knowledge of Latin America and his Spanish speaking ability.

THOMAS FRANCIS RING

Mr. Doyle telephonically contacted Special Agent in Charge J. F. Sears at the Philadelphia Field Division relative to the availability of the above-named Agent and was advised that no personal or official reasons exist as to why Special Agent Ring could not be used on special assignment. Consequently, it is recommended that Special Agent Thomas Francis Ring be transferred for SIS work.

JOHN BURKE DRURY
JOHN C PHILLIPS

Mr. Doyle telephonically contacted Special Agent in Charge R. A. Guerin at the New Orleans Field Division who advised that while Special Agent Drury is presently under transfer to another Field Division, he knew of no personal reasons which exist to prevent the use of Agent Drury on special assignment. With respect to Special Agent Phillips, who is presently at the Seat of Government attending In-Service school, Special Agent in Charge Guerin advised that he believed Agent Phillips was particularly qualified for SIS assignment due to his personal background. He stated that no official reasons exist that he knew of preventing the transfer of either of these Agents to the SIS. It is recommended that both of the above-named Agents be transferred for SIS assignment.

JOHN FRANK MALLEY, JR.

Mr. Doyle telephonically contacted Special Agent in Charge A. H. Johnson of the Chicago Field Division who advised that no official or personal reasons exist preventing the use of Agent Malley on SIS assignment. Consequently, it is recommended that Agent Malley be transferred to SIS assignment.

JOHN J. SULLIVAN

Mr. Doyle telephonically contacted Special Agent in Charge K. M. Piper of the Buffalo Field Division and he advised that no official or personal reasons exist preventing the use of Special Agent John J. Sullivan for special assignment.

JOHN VAN BARROW

Mr. Doyle telephonically contacted Special Agent in Charge J. M. Lopez of the Indianapolis Field Division relative to the availability of Agent Barrow for SIS work. Special Agent in Charge Lopez advised that no official or personal reasons exist preventing the use of Agent Barrow on SIS assignment.

THOMAS D. LUMPKIN

Mr. Doyle was advised by Special Agent in Charge Danner of the Miami Field Division that recently Agent Lumpkin's brother who is in the United States Army was killed in action in the Pacific and as a consequence of which Agent Lumpkin requested Special Agent in Charge Danner to indicate to the Bureau that he would prefer not to be transferred to work outside the Continental United States. Special Agent in Charge Danner stated that this request was made solely because Agent Lumpkin is the only remaining child of elderly parents and not through any personal fears on the part of Agent Lumpkin. It is, therefore, recommended that Special Agent Lumpkin not be used on SIS assignment at this time.

WILLIAM PATRICK McVAY

Mr. Doyle telephonically contacted Special Agent in Charge Bobbitt of the Richmond Field Division who stated that no official or personal reasons exist preventing the use of Agent McVay on SIS assignment. It is recommended that Special Agent McVay be transferred to SIS assignment.

GLENN BETHEL

Mr. Doyle was advised by Special Agent in Charge H. K. Moss of the Louisville Field Division that Special Agent (A) Bethel had just begun work on a Court of Claims case in which Assistant Director A. Rosen was very interested and was following closely. Special Agent in Charge Moss stated that he had been advised that this accounting investigation would take from two weeks to a month and that Special Agent (A) Bethel could not be available for other assignments until he had completed this particular investigation. It is recommended that Special Agent (A) Bethel not be used on SIS assignment at this particular time.

F. E. GRIMES

Special Agent in Charge R. J. Untreiner of the Jackson Field Division telephonically advised Mr. Doyle that Special Agent (A) Grimes had begun in the previous week a three months' accounting investigation with another Special Agent Accountant. Special Agent in Charge Untreiner stated that in view of the assignment of Grimes, it did not appear that he would be available for SIS assignment at this time unless he was replaced by another Accountant. It is recommended that Special Agent (A) Grimes not be used on SIS assignment at this time.

Respectfully,

C H C

C. H. Carson

September 24, 1942

Mr. William S. Tavel
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
New York, New York

Dear Sir:

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Hanson
Mr. Kramer
Mr. McGuire
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

This will acknowledge the receipt of your contribution of $5.00 to the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any participating Special Agent of the Bureau who dies, from any cause except self-destruction, while employed as a Special Agent. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Sincerely yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who has contributed to this fund subsequent to September 4, 1942, and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - ~~MONEY ORDER~~) the sum of five dollars ($5), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping, and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $5,000.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name Mrs. Marie DeLorme Tavel Address 715 S. Washington St. Alexandria, Va.

Relationship Mother Dated 9/10/42

Very truly yours,

Please note that request for $5.00 remittance was not received by agent until 9/10/42

9/11/42

William A. Tavel
Special Agent

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

WLH:vv

December 31, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

H. Keough Hick

RE: WILLIAM S. TAVEL
SPECIAL AGENT - SIS

Special Agent William S. Tavel will leave Washington, D. C. December 31, 1942, en route to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. He will travel by train from New York City on January 3, 1943 to Miami, Florida. He will leave Miami on January 6, 1943, via Pan American Airways, arriving in Rio de Janeiro on January 10, 1943. b7E

Agent Tavel will use the cover of [redacted]

Agent Tavel requests that any official Government checks or personal mail be forwarded to his mother, Mrs. W. K. Tavel, 715 S. Washington Street, Apt. C-3-8, Alexandria, Virginia, and all SIS salary checks to the National City Bank, 41st and Broadway Branch, New York City, for deposit to his account there. He also requests his expense checks be sent to him at the American Embassy, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Agent Tavel stated that his father would take care of his Income Tax for the year of 1943.

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Agent Tavel was cautioned that his mother should be definitely instructed not to re-forward to him any mail containing information about the Bureau or containing an address indicating that he was connected with the Bureau.

While in SIS Training, Agent Tavel was afforded an opportunity to take the course [redacted] b7E

[redacted] Agent Tavel was also afforded an opportunity to take a special course in Portuguese Training, and from reports received he progressed satisfactorily.

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Considerable time was spent in acquainting Agent Tavel with the types of information desired and he was given definite instructions in regard to SIS work in general and the preparation of his expense vouchers.

Agent Tavel was cautioned in regard to maintaining his health while in Brazil and it was definitely impressed upon him that his personal conduct should be above reproach as any misconduct on his part, if it were known that he represented the United States Government, would probably result in an international incident. On numerous occasions and on the occasion of giving him his final instructions, Agent Tavel was definitely instructed that under no circumstances should he divulge his official status to anyone at any time for any purpose without prior authority from the Bureau.

Considerable time was also spent in acquainting Mr. Tavel with the various methods of obtaining information in an undercover capacity and the matter of handling confidential informants was discussed at length with him. The various pitfalls with regard to the handling of communications, particularly now that some countries have inaugurated a system of censorship, were also pointed out to him.

Upon leaving, Agent Tavel stated that he understood thoroughly all of the instructions which had been given to him.

Respectfully,

C. H. Carson

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

JD:MNG

September 16, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

RE: WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL
SPECIAL AGENT

Entered on Duty:	September 8, 1941
Grade and Salary:	CAF-10, $3500
Office of Assignment:	New York
Marital Status:	Single
Languages:	French (read, good)

At the conclusion of his training period, Mr. Clegg said that he was above average; that he was one of the outstanding men of his class; and that his prospects for development in the Bureau were good.

On November 30, 1941, he was assigned to the Buffalo Office. On December 29, 1941, SAC Piper said that he had testified creditably in moot court session.

On January 23, 1942, SAC Piper reported him as being satisfactory and said that he was developing satisfactorily and would show further development with supervision and training. During an inspection of the Buffalo Office from April 27th to May 3, 1942, Inspector Harbo said that he would rate him as average; and that he believed he should continue to develop.

On May 7, 1942, he was transferred to the New York Office. On May 12, 1942, SAC Piper said that he had been developing satisfactorily during his period of assignment in that office.

In an efficiency report received May 8, 1942, SAC Piper gave him an adjective rating of good and said that he believed he was developing satisfactorily.

On July 16, 1942, Mr. Clegg said that Agent Tavel presents a good appearance and seems to be about average as to personality and general approach. This agent seems to be intelligent, interested, and capable, and it is believed that he possesses about average promise for future development. No indications of executive or administrative ability were noted.

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Respectfully,

D. M. Ladd

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NOTICE OF CLASSIFICATION

Registrant: Wm. S. Tavel

Order No. 294

has been classified by—

Local Board No. 153
New Haven County
(STATE OF LOCAL BOARD)
City Hall
Waterbury, Conn.

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Local Board ☒ Board of Appeal, by vote of ____ to ____ ☐

President ☐ In class IIB (Until Feb. 27, 1943).
(Insert date for Class II-A only)

Reeley Lee Gilliland
Member of Local Board

Date of mailing Sept. 10/42, 19__

(Registrant sign here)

BE ALERT

The laws requires you—
To keep in touch with the local board.
To notify it of any change of address.
To notify it of any fact which might change classification.

NOTE: RIGHT TO APPEAL

Appeal from classification by local board or board of appeal must be made at office of local board, by signing appeal form on back of questionnaire or by filing written notice of appeal, within ten days after the mailing of this notice. *Before* appeal, a registrant may file a written request for appearance within the same ten-day period; and, if he does so, the local board will fix a day and notify him to appear personally before the local board; if this is done, the time to appeal is extended to ten days beyond the day set by the local board for such appearance.

There is a right in certain dependency cases of appeal from appeal board decision to the President; see Selective Service Regulations, Volume Three.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

September 4, 1942

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. GLAVIN

RE: WILLIAM S. TAVEL
SPECIAL AGENT

The above-named Special Agent was involved in an accident on April 10, 1942, when he pulled out to pass a car and another car coming from the rear struck the Bureau car. Agent Tavel settled for the damages to both cars in the amounts of $20.00 and $3.00, $3.00 being the cost of the damages to the Bureau car.

Respectfully,

C. H. King

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FOR DEFENSE
BUY UNITED STATES SAVINGS BONDS AND STAMPS

August 27, 1942

Mr. J. Warren Upson
Chairman
Local Board Number 15 B
Selective Service System
City Hall
Waterbury, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Upson:

Reference is made to the Selective Service case of Mr. William S. Tavel who is duly registered at your Board as Order Number 294. You will recall that as a result of my previous request for occupational deferment, he has been placed in Class II-B.

Mr. Tavel is still employed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and it has been impossible during the deferment period to effect any replacement for him. As you have been previously advised, he has been employed in this Bureau since September 8, 1941, and is a trained Special Agent. I desire to call your attention to Local Board Release Number 75, issued by General Hershey of National Selective Service Headquarters under date of December 29, 1941, advising your Board that the above listed position is one of the critical positions in this Bureau and requesting your cooperation in granting deferment whenever possible to do so. His removal for induction at this time would cause an impairment of the work we are now performing in order to guarantee the internal security of this country. I desire, therefore, to request that Mr. Tavel be granted additional deferment in Class II-B.

I appreciate your previous cooperation in this matter, and should there be any additional information you may desire with regard to this case, please do not hesitate to call upon me. Of course, I shall keep you promptly advised as to any change in the occupational status of this registrant.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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cc: SAC New York

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SAC NEW YORK

DESIRE YOU SUBMIT FORTYFIVE DAY EFFICIENCY REPORTS ON THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL AGENTS IMMEDIATELY JH BERRY WA TAVEL EP COYLE DJ TURLINGTON JP COGAN JR ADAMS WH ATKINSON AC DAVIDSON KB SHAFFER ID MACLENNAN GL KELLER JM ROY WW COLBY

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REPORT OF EFFICIENCY RATING

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Classification Symbols		
(Service)	(Grade)	(Class)
	10	CAF

As of Aug. 4, 1942 based on performance during period from 5/7/42 to 6/22/42

(Name of employee)	(Title of position)	(Bureau)
WILLIAM S. TAVEL	Special Agent	FBI

(Division)	(Section)	(Subsection or unit)	(Field office)
Dept. of Justice	Investigative	Field	New York

ON LINES BELOW MARK EMPLOYEE

√ if adequate
— if weak
+ if outstanding

1. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position.
2. Rate only on elements pertinent to the position.
   a. Do not rate on elements in *italics* except for employees in administrative, supervisory, or planning positions.
   b. Rate administrative, supervisory, and planning employees on all elements pertinent to the position whether in *italics* or not.
3. Before rating, become thoroughly familiar with instructions in the rating manual.

CHECK ONE:

Administrative, supervisory, or planning ..... ☐
All others ..... ☒

(1) Maintenance of equipment, tools, instruments.
(2) Mechanical skill.
(3) Skill in the application of techniques and procedures.
(4) Presentability of work (appropriateness of arrangement and appearance of work).
(5) Attention to broad phases of assignments.
(6) Attention to pertinent detail.
(7) Accuracy of operations.
(8) Accuracy of final results.
(9) Accuracy of judgments or decisions.
(10) Effectiveness in presenting ideas or facts.
(11) Industry.
(12) Rate of progress on or completion of assignments.
(13) Amount of acceptable work produced. (Is mark based on production records? ..... (Yes or no))
(14) Ability to organize his work.
(15) Effectiveness in meeting and dealing with others.
(16) Cooperativeness.
(17) Initiative.
(18) Resourcefulness.
(19) Dependability.
(20) Physical fitness for the work.
(21) *Effectiveness in planning broad programs.*
(22) *Effectiveness in adapting the work program to broader or related programs.*
(23) *Effectiveness in devising procedures.*
(24) *Effectiveness in laying out work and establishing standards of performance for subordinates.*
(25) *Effectiveness in directing, reviewing, and checking the work of subordinates.*
(26) *Effectiveness in instructing, training, and developing subordinates in the work.*
(27) *Effectiveness in promoting high working morale.*
(28) *Effectiveness in determining space, personnel, and equipment needs.*
(29) *Effectiveness in setting and obtaining adherence to time limits and deadlines.*
(30) *Ability to make decisions.*
(31) *Effectiveness in delegating clearly defined authority to act.*

STATE ANY OTHER ELEMENTS CONSIDERED:
(A) .....
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STANDARD
Deviations must be explained on reverse side of this form

	Adjective rating	Numerical rating
All underlined elements marked plus, and no element marked minus	Excellent	1
A majority of underlined elements marked plus, and no element marked minus	Very good	2 or 3
All underlined elements marked at least with a check, and minus marks fully compensated by plus marks, or— a majority of underlined elements marked at least with a check, and minus marks on underlined elements overcompensated by plus marks on underlined elements	Good X	4, 5, or 6
A majority of underlined elements marked at least with a check, and minus marks not fully compensated by plus marks	Fair	7 or 8
A majority of underlined elements marked minus	Unsatisfactory	9

	Adjective rating	Numerical rating
Rating official	Good	
Reviewing official		

On the whole, do you consider the conduct of this employee to be satisfactory? Yes (Yes or no) (See back of form)

Rated by P. E. Foxworth (Signature of rating official) — Assistant Director (Title) — August 4, 1942 (Date)
P. E. Foxworth

Reviewed by ..... (Signature of reviewing official) — ..... (Title) — ..... (Date)

Rating approved by efficiency rating committee ..... (Date) Report to employee ..... (Adjective rating) ..... (Numerical rating)

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CONDUCT REPORT

(This space is to be used in case the question on the face of the sheet regarding the employee's conduct has been answered "No." In such a case give here a full statement of the particulars in which the employee's conduct has not been satisfactory.)

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WILLIAM S. TAVEL Special Agent Grade CAF-10

45-Day Efficiency Rating

Special Agent Tavel, who has been assigned to the New York Office since May 7, 1942, has, since that time, been engaged in conducting investigations pertaining to national defense matters.

This Agent makes a satisfactory appearance and appears sufficiently mature to make a favorable impression upon persons whom he might meet in connection with the Bureau's work. He has a satisfactory knowledge of the various violations within the jurisdiction of the Bureau, applies himself well to his work, and exhibits an average amount of initiative and resourcefulness. He has exhibited more than the average amount of enthusiasm and has put in considerably more than the average amount of overtime.

No opportunity has been had to observe his conduct while testifying in Federal Court. This Agent has average ability in the use of firearms and technical equipment and can be used satisfactorily on the usual type of national defense surveillances. He can satisfactorily operate an automobile.

It is my opinion that this Agent might be considered as a good Agent with slightly better than average possibilities.

H.A.T.

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July 31, 1942

SAC NE YORK

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July 28, 1942

Mr. J. Warren Upson
Chairman
Local Board Number 15 B
Selective Service System
City Hall
Waterbury, Connecticut

CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Mr. Upson:

Reference is made to the Selective Service case of Mr. William S. Tavel who is employed in this Bureau as a Special Agent, and who is duly registered at your Board as Order Number 294. You will recall that deferment has been requested for him and as a result thereof, he has been continued in a deferred status.

In accordance with the Selective Service regulations, I desire to advise you that Mr. Tavel, in view of his increased experience and length of service, has now been promoted to the salary of $3500 per annum. This information is being furnished to you in order that you will, at all times, have a complete set of facts with regard to this case.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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July 24, 1942

Mr. William S. Tavel
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
607 United States Court House Building
Foley Square
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Tavel:

It is with pleasure that I am enclosing a letter from the Attorney General advising you of your promotion from $3200 per annum in Grade CAF 9 to $3500 per annum in Grade CAF 10, effective July 1, 1942.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

CC: SAC - New York
Mr. Reeder

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July 1, 1942.

Mr. William S. Tavel
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice

Dear Mr. Tavel:

You are hereby transferred from one position to another in the Federal Bureau of Investigation as indicated:

From

Position: Special Agent

Assignment:

Grade: CAF 9 Salary: $3200 per annum

Appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses, Federal Bureau of Investigation" (National Defense) FIELD

To

Position: Special Agent

Assignment:

Grade: CAF 10 Salary: $3500 per annum

Appropriation: "Salaries and Expenses, Federal Bureau of Investigation" (National Defense) FIELD

Effective: July 1, 1942

Respectfully,

Francis Biddle

Attorney General.

By the Attorney General:

(signed) James Rowe, Jr.
The Assistant to the Attorney General.
Vice: Clyde P. Aderhold - trans. 6-16-42.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

RE: IN-SERVICE TRAINING COURSE
June 22 TO July 3, 1942
SPECIAL AGENT W. S. TAVEL
EOD September 8, 1941
GRADE CAF 9
SALARY $3200
ASSIGNED TO: New York

This Special Agent attended the In-Service Training Course as indicated above, during which period he was not afforded a physical examination.

This Special Agent attained the following grades:

Photographic Training	—
Notebook	Very Good
Written Examination	97
Practical Public Speaking	—
Hip Shooting	98
Practical Pistol Course	94
Shotgun	100
.30 Rifle	83
Machine Gun	75

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REMARKS: Interviewing Official - Mr. Carson

"Agent Tavel presents a good appearance and seems to be about average as to personality and general approach. This Agent seems to be intelligent, interested, and capable, and it is believed that he possesses about average promise for future development. No indications of executive or administrative ability were noted."

Very truly yours,

H. H. Clegg

H. H. Clegg

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Special Agent in Charge
New York, New York

RE: W. S. TAVEL
SPECIAL AGENT

Dear Sir:

The above-named Special Agent attended an In-Service training course at the Seat of Government from June 22 to July 3, 1942.

He attained the following grades:

Photographic Training	—
Notebook	Very good
Written Examination	97
Practical Public Speaking	—
Hip Shooting	98
Practical Pistol Course	94
Shotgun	100
.30 Rifle	83
Machine Gun	75

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Kramer
Mr. McGuire
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

The firearms grades should be entered on the individual field firearms training record card.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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cc- Mr. W. S. Tavel

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July 8, 1942

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REQUIRE YOU SUBMIT FORTYFIVE DAY REPORTS ON THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL AGENTS

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATION (NONCIVIL SERVICE)

Mr.
Miss
Mrs. Mr. William S. Tavel Date July 1, 1942

New appointment ☐ Transfer ☐ Promotion ☒ Separation ☐

PRESENT STATUS

1. Title: Special Agent
2. Grade CAF 9
3. Salary: $3200 per annum
4. Seat of Government: ☐
   Field: F ☐
5. Division:
6. Appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, FBI" (National Defense)

PROPOSED ACTION

7. Title: Special Agent
8. Grade CAF 10
9. Salary: $3500 per annum
10. Seat of Government: ☐
    Field:* F ☐
11. Division:
12. Appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, FBI" (National Defense)
13. Effective: July 1, 1942
14. Position: Additional: ☐
    Vice Clyde P. Aderhold - trans.
    Identical: 6-16-42
15. Remarks:

Respectfully submitted,

cc - Chief, Audit Section
Mr. Reeder

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Requirements as to Classification Act:

Efficiency ( ) (Date) (Initial)

Average provision ( )

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Funds Certification:
Funds Available
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Approved
The Assistant to the Attorney General.

* Indicate headquarters.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

June 30, 1942

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin ✓
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Kramer
Mr. McGuire
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Beahm
Miss Gandy

HHH:PB

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. GLAVIN

RE: WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL
Special Agent

Entered on duty	9/8/41
Reported to field	11/30/41
Present grade and salary	CAF-9 $3200
Last salary change	
Accounting course	Not Enrolled
Marksmanship	Expert
Qualified in all firearms:	Yes, to date
Failed to qualify with:	None

REMARKS

At the conclusion of his training period, Mr. Clegg said that he was above average; that he was one of the outstanding men of his class; and that his prospects for development in the Bureau were good.

On 11/30/41 he was assigned to the Buffalo Office. On 12/29/41 SAC Piper said that he had testified creditably in a moot court session. On 1/23/42 SAC Piper reported him as being satisfactory and said that he was developing satisfactorily and would show further development with supervision and training. During an inspection of the Buffalo Office from April 27 to May 3, 1942, Inspector Harbo said that he impressed him as moderately enthusiastic and interested in his work; that he would rate him as average; and that he believed he should continue to develop. On 5/7/42 he was transferred to the New York Office. On 5/12/42 SAC Piper said that he had been developing satisfactorily during his period of assignment in that office.

In an efficiency report dated 4/30/42 received 5/8/42 SAC Piper gave him an adjective rating of good and said that he believed he was developing satisfactorily.

Respectfully,

HHHuston

Harris H. Huston

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RECOMMENDATION: I recommend that he be reallocated to Grade CAF-10 at $3500 per annum.

J. B. Wilcox

FOR DEFENSE
BUY UNITED STATES SAVINGS BONDS AND STAMPS

Standard Form No. 51
Appr. Jan. 5, 1942
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REPORT OF EFFICIENCY RATING

REGULAR ( ); INTERIM ( )
PROBATIONARY—1ST ( ) 2D ( )

Classification Symbols		
(Service)	(Grade) 9	(Class) 3208

As of March 31, 1942. based on performance during period from 9/8/41 to 3/31/42

OTAVEL, WILLIAM S. (Name of employee) SPECIAL AGENT (Title of position) Federal Bureau of Investigation. (Bureau)

(Division) (Section) (Subsection or unit) Buffalo Field Division. (Field office)

ON LINES BELOW MARK EMPLOYEE		CHECK ONE:
√ if adequate — if weak + if outstanding	1. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position. 2. Rate only on elements pertinent to the position. a. Do not rate on elements in *italics* except for employees in administrative, supervisory, or planning positions. b. Rate administrative, supervisory, and planning employees on all elements pertinent to the position whether in *italics* or not. 3. Before rating, become thoroughly familiar with instructions in the rating manual.	Administrative, supervisory, or planning ☐ All others ☐

------ (1) Maintenance of equipment, tools, instruments.
------ (2) Mechanical skill.
------ (3) Skill in the application of techniques and procedures.
------ (4) Presentability of work (appropriateness of arrangement and appearance of work).
------ (5) Attention to broad phases of assignments.
------ (6) Attention to pertinent detail.
------ (7) Accuracy of operations.
------ (8) Accuracy of final results.
------ (9) Accuracy of judgments or decisions.
------ (10) Effectiveness in presenting ideas or facts.
------ (11) Industry.
------ (12) Rate of progress on or completion of assignments.
------ (13) Amount of acceptable work produced. (Is mark based on production records? ------) (Yes or no)
------ (14) Ability to organize his work.
------ (15) Effectiveness in meeting and dealing with others.
------ (16) Cooperativeness.
------ (17) Initiative.
------ (18) Resourcefulness.
------ (19) Dependability.
------ (20) Physical fitness for the work.
------ (21) *Effectiveness in planning broad programs.*
------ (22) *Effectiveness in adapting the work program to broader or related programs.*
------ (23) *Effectiveness in devising procedures.*
------ (24) *Effectiveness in laying out work and establishing standards of performance for subordinates.*
------ (25) *Effectiveness in directing, reviewing, and checking the work of subordinates.*
------ (26) *Effectiveness in instructing, training, and developing subordinates in the work.*
------ (27) *Effectiveness in promoting high working morale.*
------ (28) *Effectiveness in determining space, personnel, and equipment needs.*
------ (29) *Effectiveness in setting and obtaining adherence to time limits and deadlines.*
------ (30) *Ability to make decisions.*
------ (31) *Effectiveness in delegating clearly defined authority to act.*

STATE ANY OTHER ELEMENTS CONSIDERED

------ (A) ------
------ (B) ------
------ (C) 67 NOT RECORDED

STANDARD
Deviations must be explained on reverse side of this form

	Adjective rating	Numerical rating
All underlined elements marked plus, and no element marked minus	Excellent	1
A majority of underlined elements marked plus, and no element marked minus	Very good	2 or 3
All underlined elements marked at least with a check, and minus marks fully compensated by plus marks, or—a majority of underlined elements marked at least with a check, and minus marks on underlined elements overcompensated by plus marks on underlined elements	Good	4, 5, or 6
A majority of underlined elements marked at least with a check, and minus marks not fully compensated by plus marks	Fair	7 or 8
A majority of underlined elements marked minus	Unsatisfactory	9

	Adjective rating	Numerical rating
Rating official	GOOD.	
Reviewing official	✓	P 3

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On the whole, do you consider the conduct of this employee to be satisfactory? Yes. (Yes or no) (See back of form)

Rated by [signature] (Signature of rating official) Special Agent in Charge. (Title) April 30, 1942. (Date)

Reviewed by [signature] (Signature of reviewing official) Assistant Director Federal Bureau of Investigation (Title) MAY 25 1942 (Date)

Rating approved by efficiency rating committee MAY 25 1942 (Date) Report to employee ------ (Adjective rating) ------ (Numerical rating)

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CONDUCT REPORT

(This space is to be used in case the question on the face of the sheet regarding the employee's conduct has been answered "No." In such a case give here a full statement of the particulars in which the employee's conduct has not been satisfactory.)

(Signature)

EXPLANATION OF DEVIATIONS FROM STANDARD

(Signature)

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

United States Department of Justice
BUFFALO, NEW YORK

April 30, 1942.

Re: WILLIAM S. TAVEL, SPECIAL AGENT,
E.O.D. September 8, 1941.
CAF 9, $3200.00 per annum.

This Special Agent during his assignment in this office has worked on the road trip territory in the vicinity of Elmira, N.Y. He has been assigned cases involving general investigation and national defense matters.

His reports have been prepared in a thorough manner, considering his limited field experience. In dictation he has rated as fifth in this office, and I note that his work is well prepared, that he expresses himself in good reporting language, and that he dictates at an even rate of speed.

He has regularly attended the conferences of newly appointed Special Agents and has asked intelligent questions and participated enthusiastically. In moot court sessions I have observed him testify and believe that he would make a competent witness in court.

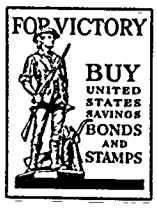
During the past three months he has performed 5 hours and 13 minutes average overtime per day, and in Bureau firearms his proficiency with all weapons has averaged 84%, which is about average for Agents in this office. He has participated in the apprehension of Bureau fugitives, and I am of the opinion that he is temperamentally suited for dangerous assignments. I have observed him drive a Bureau automobile in a capable manner and note that he has a New York State automobile operator's license.

This Agent makes a fair personal appearance, and I believe he is possessed of a sound and analytical type of mind. He pursues his investigations along logical procedure, and his work in this connection has been thorough. He has produced a good volume of work of acceptable quality and has shown considerable development during the past three months. I believe that he is developing satisfactorily, and I would rate him as Good.

Very truly yours,

K. M. Piper

K. M. PIPER,
Special Agent in Charge.



I have read this report:

W. S. Tavel

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
400 U. S. COURT HOUSE
BUFFALO, NEW YORK

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May 12, 1942

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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EOD 9-8-41

RE: WILLIAM S. TAVEL, Special Agent;
E.O.D. September 8, 1941;
CAF 9, $3200.00 per annum;
SPECIAL EFFICIENCY RATING.

Dear Sir:

There is rendered herewith a special efficiency rating on the above-captioned Special Agent, who was transferred from this office to the New York City Field Office on May 6, 1942. This report is supplementary to my annual efficiency rating, dated April 30, 1942.

This Special Agent showed good development during his period of assignment to the Buffalo Field Division, which was his first office after training school. He was rated as fifth in dictation ability in this office, and showed the ability to organize his material in a satisfactory manner. His work consisted of general investigative and national defense investigative matters in the road trip territory of Elmira, New York. He handled an acceptable volume of work and pursued his investigations along logical lines. He is intelligent, alert and interested in his assignments. He has been developing satisfactorily during his period of assignment in this office.

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Very truly yours,

K. M. Piper

K. M. PIPER,
Special Agent in Charge

I have read this report.

W. A. T.

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DICTATION ABILITY OF AGENTS

Inspector HARBO: I had occasion to observe dictation by Agent FREDERICK on April 28th, 1942. His dictation was slow and he did not appear to have his facts properly marshalled. I understand from your statement that he arrived in this office from training school only a couple of weeks ago and that this was his first dictation. In view of the rather substantial number of comparatively new Agents in your office, it is of course highly important that close supervision be given to a program for improving the dictation ability of these Agents.

For record purposes there is set out below the composite ranking of the dictation ability of the Agents in this office based on the ratings by stenographers:

1. SCHLENKER
2. KURTZMAN
3. HIRSH
4. BEHRMANN
5. /TAVEL/
6. YOUNG
7. MOORE
8. COY
9. PHILLIPS
10. COLE
11. SHAPIRO
12. MUNN
13. SULLIVAN
14. HAMLEY
15. DEL PERO
16. ESTILL
17. GRERLY
18. SHATRAW

SAC PIPER: I am in agreement with Inspector HARBO and will utilize the New Agents Conferences to consummate this program of instruction.

Inspection Report
Buffalo Office
Inspector R. T. HARBO
May 3, 1942.

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WILLIAM S. TAVEL	Special Agent
E.O.D.	September 8, 1941
Present Grade and Salary	CAF 9, $3200.00 per annum
Office of Preference	New York City
Badge, commission card, and gun	Satisfactory
Rules and Regulations	92
Manual of Instructions	88

SAC PIPER:

This Special Agent has handled the road trip territory in the Elmira district, has performed a good volume of work of specimen quality. He needs to develop a more personable attitude in his contacts, which would make him more effective. He has a good analytical mind, is developing satisfactorily, and I rate him as good.

INSPECTOR HARBO:

Tavel impressed me as moderately enthusiastic and interested in his work. He has done considerable road-work and states he likes the experience he has been getting. At present I would rate him average, and believe he should continue to develop.

Inspection - Buffalo Office
April 27 - May 3, 1942
Inspector R. T. Harbo

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March 26, 1942

Mr. William S. Cavel
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Buffalo, New York

Dear Mr. Cavel:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your contribution of $5.00 to the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any participating Special Agent of the Bureau who dies, from any cause except self destruction, while employed as a Special Agent.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who has contributed to this fund subsequent to February 2, 1942, and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - ~~MONEY ORDER~~) the sum of five dollars ($5), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping, and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $5,000.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name Mrs. Marie DeLorme Tavel Address 715 S. Washington St. Alexandria, Va.

Relationship mother

Very truly yours,

William S. Tavel
WILLIAM S. TAVEL
Special Agent

Ack 3-26-42

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March 16, 1942

Mr. J. Warren Upson
Chairman
Local Board Number 15 B
Selective Service System
City Hall
Waterbury, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Upson:

Reference is made to your communication of March 2, 1942, with regard to the Selective Service status of Mr. William S. Tavel who is duly registered at your Board as Order Number 294. You will recall that D.S.S. Form 42 was furnished to your Board under date of September 16, 1941, and as a result thereof, he was placed in Class II-B.

In accordance with your request for additional information, I am transmitting herewith, D.S.S. Form 42 A executed by me under date of March 10, 1942, requesting that he be continued in a deferred status. Of course, should there be any change in his occupational status, I shall promptly advise you.

I want you to know that it is my desire to cooperate with your Board in every possible way and should there be any additional information you may desire with regard to this case, please do not hesitate to call upon me.

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Sincerely yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

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Local Board No. 15B 1
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(Stamp of Local Board)
City Hall
Waterbury, Conn.

March 2, 1942.
(Date)

To Federal Bureau of Investigation
(Employer)

United States Dept. of Justice, Washington, D.C.
(Address)

Subject: Registrant William S. Tavel (Name) Order No. 294

1. Please be advised that the Class II-B deferment of the above registrant expires on March 29,1942.

2. If it is desired the deferment be renewed, please submit detailed facts relative thereto on or before March 29, 1942.

3. Please advise this board what efforts you have made to secure or train a replacement for the granting of his former deferment.

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LOCAL BOARD #15 B
J. Warren Upson, Chairman

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DSS Form 42 A

AFFIDAVIT TO SUPPORT CLAIM FOR OCCUPATIONAL DEFERMENT

INSTRUCTIONS.—This form is to be filled out by an employer or other person who has knowledge of the registrant's eligibility for Class II deferment as a necessary man in his civilian occupation or activity. If the registrant owns and operates his own business, he may fill out this form himself.

All parts except Part E should be filled out for a registrant engaged in a business, occupation, or profession.

Parts A, E, F, G, and H should be filled out for a registrant pursuing a course of instruction in preparation for work necessary to the National Defense.

A. IDENTIFICATION OF REGISTRANT:

1. Local Board No. 15 B New Haven (County) Waterbury (City) Connecticut (State)

2. Name of registrant WILLIAM S. TAVEL Order No. 294

B. INDUSTRY, BUSINESS, OR SERVICE IN WHICH REGISTRANT IS ENGAGED:

1. Name of firm, corporation, partnership, etc. Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice

2. Description of industry or other activity See attachment

3. Is the activity seasonal? No If so, what is the season?

4. Has your product or service any relationship to the National Defense production program? Yes If so, specify As mentioned under B. 2, the Bureau has investigative jurisdiction over all violations pertaining to the internal security of the United States.

5. Is your product or service necessary to the health, safety or interest of the community or the Nation? Yes If so, specify See attachment

6. (*a*) Have you any National Defense contracts or subcontracts? If so, specify

   (*b*) Do any of the above contracts carry specific priority ratings? If so, specify

7. Approximate percentage of product or service currently produced for use of—

   (*a*) The general public

   (*b*) The Government See attachment

   (*c*) A primary contractor of the Government Explain item (*c*) here

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8. If an agricultural pursuit, st

(a) Size and type of farm

(b) Number of acres under cultivation ..... Number of livestock, poultry, etc. .....

(c) Principal product

(d) Number of persons employed for wages

C. OCCUPATION OF REGISTRANT:

1. What is the title of his present job or position? Special Agent
2. On what date did he enter upon present duties? September 8, 1941
3. What is his weekly rate of pay? $3200 annually (CONFIDENTIAL)
4. Is he a— (Check one)
   - [X] Regular employee.
   - [ ] Seasonal employee.
   - [ ] Temporary or occasional employee.
   - [ ] Other (specify):
5. Has he a journeyman rating?
6. Is he— (Check one)
   - [ ] Skilled.
   - [ ] Semiskilled.
   - [ ] Unskilled.

   See attachment D. 6. a.

   (a) Is he in training as an apprentice or learner? (State which)

   (b) How long has he been in such training?

   (c) On what date will he complete his training?

   (d) For what work is he preparing?
7. (a) Give an ACCURATE and FULL description of his duties. (If possible use United States Employment Service job specifications) See attachments B. 2 and D. 6. a.

   (b) On what specific product or service is he primarily engaged? See attachment B. 2
8. Is the registrant trained or experienced in more highly skilled work than that in which he is now engaged?

   If so, specify

D. DATA RELATIVE TO "NECESSITY" OF THE REGISTRANT:

(See last page of this form for definitions of "necessary man" and regulations regarding deferment.)

1. Have you had difficulty in recruiting workers with the registrant's qualifications or skill? Yes If so, explain action taken, and results See attachment
2. Do you anticipate that you would have difficulty in recruiting workers with the registrant's qualifications or skill now or in the future? Yes If so, upon what grounds do you base your anticipation? See attachment D. 1

3. Would the registrant's [illegible] cause a material loss of effectiveness in [illegible]tivity? Yes If so, upon what grounds do you base your statement? See attachments D. 1 and D. 5

4. Would the registrant's removal cause such a serious interruption or delay in your activity that it would impede the National Defense program? Yes If so, upon what grounds do you base your statement? See attachments D. 1 and D. 5

5. (a) How many persons of similar skill or training do you employ? 3116
(b) Are you expanding that part of your business that requires the services of the registrant's special qualifications or skill? Yes If so, specify in detail See attachment

6. (a) How long does it take to train a person in the registrant's qualifications or skill? See attachment and remarks
(b) How many persons are you now training in these qualifications or skill to replace separated workers? _____
To fill newly created jobs? 300

E. STUDENTS AND OTHERS IN TRAINING:
(To be filled in by appropriate official of school or institution.)

1. Name and type of school or institution _____ (Type) _____ (Name) Location _____ (City) _____ (State)
2. Designation of course pursued by registrant _____
3. For what certificate or license (if any) is he preparing? _____
4. Length of time already spent in course _____
5. How has he progressed to date? _____
6. On what date do you expect the registrant to complete this training? _____
7. Has he offers or contracts of employment after completing the course? _____ If so, specify _____

F. EMPLOYER'S (OR SCHOOL OFFICIAL'S) STIPULATION:

1. Based on the definitions given below in "Excerpts from Selective Service Regulations," I/we recommend classifying this registrant in Class II-B (II-A or II-B)
2. Deferment of this registrant is requested for Indefinite (Length of time)
3. It is agreed that I/we will notify registrant's Local Board of the resignation, dismissal, failure to make progress in training, or a change in the nature of the employment of the above-named registrant.
4. The registrant is not (Is, is not) related to any of the executive officers of this employing unit. The above relationship, if any, is _____

G. REMARKS: It will be noted that this Agent is presently performing duties in a position which has been designated as critical to the effective functioning of this Bureau by General Hershey of the National Selective Service Headquarters in his bulletin of December 29, 1941 to all local boards.

H. JURAT:

I, J. Edgar Hoover (Name) do solemnly swear (or affirm) that

I am the Director (Official position) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (Name of employing unit, or school or institution)

and that the foregoing statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(Signature)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of March, 19 42.

(Signature of official administering oath)

(Official designation of official administering oath)

THE OATH REQUIRED BY THIS FORM MAY BE ADMINISTERED BY:

1. Any civil or military officer authorized to administer oaths generally or in military administration.
2. Any member of a Local Board or Board of Appeal, or the clerk of such board.
3. Any government appeal agent.
4. Any member or associate member of an Advisory Board for Registrants.
5. Any Postmaster.
6. Any other person authorized by the Selective Service Regulations to administer oaths.

No fee shall be charged by any person for administering the oath required on this form.

EXCERPTS FROM SELECTIVE SERVICE REGULATIONS

351. "Necessary man" defined.—A registrant shall be considered a "necessary man" in industry, business, employment, agricultural pursuit, governmental service, or in any other service or endeavor, including training or preparation therefor, **only when all of these conditions exist:**

(*a*) He is, or but for a seasonal or temporary interruption would be, engaged in such activity.

(*b*) He cannot be replaced satisfactorily because of a shortage of persons with his qualifications or skill in such activity.

(*c*) His removal would cause a material loss of effectiveness in such activity.

352. Composition of Class II.—(*a*) In Class II–A shall be placed any registrant found to be a "necessary man" in any industry, business, employment, agricultural pursuit, governmental service, or any other service or endeavor, or in training or preparation therefor, the maintenance of which is necessary to the national health, safety, or interest in the sense that it is useful or productive and contributes to the employment or well-being of the community or the Nation.

(*b*) In Class II–B shall be placed any registrant found to be a "necessary man" in any industry, business, employment, agricultural pursuit, governmental service, or any other service or endeavor, or in training or preparation therefor, the maintenance of which is essential to the national health, safety, or interest in the sense that a serious interruption or delay in such activity is likely to impede the National Defense program.

353. Length of deferments for Class II–A.—(*a*) Class II–A deferments shall be for a period not longer than 6 months, at the expiration of which time the deferment shall cease. Upon the expiration of any such period, the case of the registrant shall be reopened and his classification considered anew in the manner provided in Section XXX, and, if the facts warrant, the registrant may again be classified in Class II–A for a further period not to exceed 6 months.

(*b*) Class II–B deferments shall not be limited as to the period during which they shall be effective. The case of a registrant classified in Class II–B may be reopened and his classification considered anew in the same manner and for the same reasons as any other classification. (See Section XXX.)

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B. 2.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has been designated as the sole civilian Government investigative agency, having jurisdiction over the investigation of matters pertaining to the national defense, that is, espionage, sabotage, registration of agents of foreign principals and the like. Further, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has sole investigative jurisdiction in a great number of other Federal statutes which embrace bank robbery, kidnaping, extortion, white slave traffic, the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, and numerous others. The Federal Bureau of Investigation has also been designated by Congress as the agency officially responsible for the tabulation and dissemination of police statistics for the entire country. Under an Act of Congress these statistics are gathered and are distributed to thousands of interested police and affiliated agencies each quarter so that trends of crime, crime records, and crime control can be known to those to whom it is of most interest. Further than this, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has been designated as the agency having jurisdiction over the classification and maintenance of fingerprint records, not only on a national basis, but on an international basis. We have some thirty-one million sets of fingerprints on hand today. We are receiving the fingerprint records of all persons enlisted or being inducted into the Army and enlisted in other military services. Thousands of persons in public utility positions are fingerprinted and the prints are retained in our files. Those working in national defense industries on many occasions are fingerprinted, their prints being included in our files. Our Government employees' prints are included. We are receiving thousands of criminal fingerprints from all police agencies in the country daily and it is essential that we immediately be able to notify the arresting agency of the criminal record of the individual because he may be wanted for more serious crimes in other sections of the country and if he is to be released on a mere vagrancy or other charge, he may be set free to continue his depredations on society. This Bureau, together with many other foreign countries, participates in the international exchange of fingerprints. Hundreds of international crooks are brought to task yearly through the media of this service we have rendered.

Our Criminology Laboratory handles the scientific examination of evidence in cases investigated by the Federal and local law enforcement agencies. A great deal of their work is done in the examination of suspected sabotage cases at the present time. The scientists in that Laboratory have lectured throughout the country on bombs and explosives so that local police agencies may be adequately prepared to handle any such matters which might arise under their jurisdiction.

There are contained in our Files Section the files of hundreds of thousands of individuals whose activities are of the greatest importance to the country today. The work of the Files Section and the records of that section which have to do not only with the investigation of kidnaping, extortion, bank robbery, and like cases but also the investigation of our espionage, sabotage, foreign agent cases, and others, are of course accessible to employees working in that unit. It is most essential that only the most trusted employees be so assigned.

B. 5.

The work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is of the utmost importance in the national defense. It is essential that thoroughly qualified personnel of the highest integrity and background be secured for every position in the Bureau. Our work is the guarding of the internal security of the country, not only in national defense matters, but in the control of those criminals who previously had terrorized the country in waves of bank robbery, kidnaping, extortion, white slavery, automobile theft, and numerous other crimes. There is no doubt whatsoever in the minds of law enforcement officials that should any group be permitted to have the assurance that their activities were being minimized during the present national emergency, we would have a tremendous country-wide wave of crime in that particular category in a very short period of time. It is, therefore, essential that from a national defense standpoint and from a public security standpoint the Bureau maintain its qualified staff at an absolute maximum in order to continue to have control of the criminal element under its jurisdiction.

I, J. Edgar Hoover, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and that the foregoing statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of March, 1942

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D. 7. a. b. c.

The Federal Bureau [redacted]stigation is primarily a servic[redacted]y. We serve our Government and the public. We cannot determine the amount of work [redacted] is going to be referred to us. If there is a crime wave of local or national significance at any time the work of the Bureau is increased in comparison. Our identification, laboratory, and crime statistics facilities reflect very definitely the trends in the country. We must have available personnel to properly handle the thousands of fingerprint records being received by us daily. We are at the present time receiving approximately thirty-four thousand sets of prints daily. We must have a scientific staff in the laboratory to examine scientific evidence. We must have an investigative force of sufficient size to handle the work being referred to us. We must have a technical and supervisory staff of sufficient size to render the service to our investigative, identification, laboratory, and statistical staffs so that we may have the benefit of the wealth of information in our various files. The work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation has increased so tremendously that every employee in the Bureau, regardless of his position, is performing a tremendous amount of overtime service. Our Special Agent investigators are performing no less than four hours a day overtime service. In the present emergency we have found it necessary to curtail leave because of inadequate personnel and many of our men have worked over long periods of time without having any time off for vacation.

D. 1.

The additional duties imposed upon the Bureau since the declaration of the national emergency have made it necessary that our staff be more than doubled. From the information furnished under sub-heading B, it will be seen that it is essential to carefully investigate every employee in the Bureau. All of our employees in the performance of their work at one time or the other has opportunity to observe and note the content of confidential investigative reports, the publication of which would be most detrimental to the national safety. We have had considerable difficulty in securing sufficient employees. We find that out of applicants who file application, we are successful in appointing about one out of every one hundred. It, therefore, means that if we lose an employee after he is fully investigated and is being given training or has been experienced, we must again consider on an average, one hundred persons before he can be replaced. In the accelerated program of the Government it is essential that the Federal Bureau of Investigation work at top speed to keep abreast of its duties and investigation of matters pertaining to national defense, its regular activities, and its most important and essential identification activities at this time.

D. 5.

At the present time the Federal Bureau of Investigation is employing additional qualified persons as rapidly as they can be found. The assembled Congress has in the past several months passed several bills which will increase even to a greater extent our present volume of work. The needs of the service as to employees fluctuate with the periods of stress in the country.

D. 6. a.

Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation are given twelve weeks of training which embraces five hundred and thirty-five hours of study. During that period of time they are trained not only in investigative techniques and procedures but are qualified in the handling of firearms, mechanical devices, and technical devices in use by the Bureau. After entering the field service after training, their skill, of course, increases with their length of service in the field.

I, J. Edgar Hoover, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and that the foregoing statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of March, 1942

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
400 U.S. Court House
Buffalo, N.Y.

February 11, 1942

EOD 9-8-41

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: WILLIAM S. TAVAL, Special Agent
Buffalo Field Division

Dear Sir:

There is set out below a 75 day report concerning the assignments of the above captioned special agent.

This agent has worked on cases involving Selective Service, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, Frauds Against the Government, Impersonation, Bankruptcy, Theft of Government Property, Espionage, Bureau Applicants, Restoration of Civil Rights, Thefts from Interstate Commerce, Departmental Applicants, Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution, Alien Employment in Military Airplane Plants, Sabotage, Internal Security, and Hatch Act cases.

Very truly yours,

K. M. Piper

K. M. PIPER
Special Agent in Charge

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United States Department of Justice
Buffalo, New York

February 6, 1942

EOD 9-8-41

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: Special Agent WILLIAM S. TAVEL,
Buffalo Field Division

Dear Sir:

There is set out below, in accordance with Bureau instructions, the nature of the assignment of classification of cases on which the above-captioned Special Agent has been working during the past 75-day period:—

Selective Service
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act
Frauds Against the Government
Bankruptcy.
Theft of Government Property
Espionage
Bureau Applicants
Departmental Applicants
Thefts from Interstate Shipment
Application for Restoration of Civil Rights
Alien Employment in Military Aircraft Plants
Sabotage
Internal Security
Hatch Act

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Very truly yours,

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K. M. Piper

K. M. PIPER
Special Agent in Charge

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January 24, 1942

Special Agent in Charge
Buffalo, New York

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that the Bureau has not received forty-five day efficiency reports on the following personnel assigned to your division:

Phillips, J. W. Shapiro, D. A.
Tavel, W. S.

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You should give the submission of these reports your immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson
Mr. C. H. Tamm
Mr. Glavin
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United States Department of Justice
Buffalo, New York

January 23, 1942

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Re: Special Agent WILLIAM S. TAVEL
Buffalo Field Division
45-day Efficiency Report

Dear Sir:

There is rendered herewith a 45-day Efficiency Report on the above-captioned Special Agent who is assigned to this Field Division.

This Special Agent has been assigned to general investigative work in the vicinity of Buffalo until the last two weeks at which time he has been working in the road trip district in the western part of the Buffalo Field Division territory. I have received favorable comment from law enforcement officers in this district with whom he has had contact during the past forty-five days.

This agent has worked considerable overtime and has prepared thorough and good reports considering his experience. I have noted that he has exhibited a good attitude, appears to be vitally interested, and has endeavored to develop himself as quickly as possible. At the New Agents' Conferences he has asked intelligent questions and has maintained an alert and interested attitude.

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I believe that he is developing satisfactorily and will show further development with supervision and training.

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Very truly yours,

K. M. Piper

K. M. PIPER
Special Agent in Charge

I have read this report:

William S. Tavel

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
400 U. S. COURT HOUSE
BUFFALO, NEW YORK

KMP:FC

December 29, 1941

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

EOD 9-8-41

RE: W. S. TAVEL, Special Agent;
BUFFALO FIELD DIVISION.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that on December 26, 1941, the above-named Special Agent, assigned to this office, testified as a witness in a Moot Court Session.

This Agent testified on the stand for a period of forty minutes, during which the interrogation by the opposing counsel became heated. He exhibited coolness and composure, and handled the answering of questions in a creditable manner. He availed himself of the advantage of objections by his counsel in order not to answer questions to which objection might properly be given. He also availed himself of privileged testimony and generally handled himself well. I believe that he could creditably represent the Bureau as a witness.

Very truly yours,

K. M. Piper

K. M. PIPER,
Special Agent in Charge

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December 8, 1941

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Special Agent in Charge
Buffalo, New York

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith the following papers concerning Special Agent William S. Tavel, who entered on duty in the Bureau on September 8, 1941, as an Agent:

Field vocation record
Personnel status report
Efficiency report
Report of physical examination
Field leave record card
Field firearms record card

The efficiency report is for your confidential information, and may be used by you as a guide in the future training of this employee. The vocation record and the reports on personnel status, efficiency, and physical condition, should be placed in the Agent's Field Personnel File.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosures

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NEW SPECIAL AGENTS - EFFICIENCY REPORT

Re: WILLIAM S. TAVEL

Date submitted December 3, 1941

Date of Training School 9-8-41 to 11-29-41 Date of Birth July 12, 1915

Legal Residence Washington, D. C. Marital Status Single

Offices of Preference New York City; New Haven; Hawaii Assigned to Buffalo

Education: A.B.

Previous Experience: Clerk; Research Worker; Tour Guide (Rockefeller Center Corp.); Casualty Claims Investigator.

Training School Grades

Examination, Rules & Regulations	99	Auditory Test	Good
Examination, Manual of Instructions	98½	Visual Memory Test	Good
Examination, National Defense	98	Auto Driving	Satisfactory
Laboratory Examination	98½	Moot Court	Excellent
NMVTA Special Interview Test	Very Good	Uniform Crime Reporting	93
Searches at Crime Scene	Average	Practical Public Speaking	Very Good
Fingerprint Identification	96.8	Practical Photo Problem	--

Firearms Training

Hip Shooting:	100
Practical Pistol Course:	88
Shotgun:	90
.30'06 Rifle:	75
.351 Rifle:	86
Machine Gun:	75
Night Firing:	--
Remington 81 Rifle:	77

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Tavel is 26, single, was born in South Carolina, but has lived in various sections of the country. He attended Washington and Lee University, receiving an A.B. degree in 1938. He also attended Harvard Law School for one year. Prior to entering the Bureau for approximately one and one-half years he was employed as a Claims Adjuster for the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company at New York City and St. Louis, Missouri.

Tavel is above average. He is one of the outstanding men of his class. He makes a mature appearance, possesses a good personality, is well poised, and handles himself well during an interview. He has an excellent approach, is sure of himself, and has a good background. His prospects for development in the Bureau are good.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Clegg

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
BUFFALO, NEW YORK

KMP:MF

December 1, 1941

EOD 12-8-41

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: WILLIAM S. TAVEL, Special Agent,
Buffalo Field Division.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with instructions contained in Bureau letter dated October 24, 1941, there is set forth hereinafter information as to the ability of this Agent to testify.

It might be noted that this Agent reported to this office on November 30, 1941, and as yet has had no opportunity to testify in open court, before Grand Juries, or before hearings of the United States Commissioners.

He has not as yet had an opportunity to testify in a moot court session in this office, although it is anticipated that he will be required to do so in the immediate future, at which time the results of the testimony will be reported.

This Agent has been assigned cases which will necessitate his appearance in the future before Grand Juries and the District Court, and his ability to testify upon those occasions will be furnished to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

K. M. Piper

K. M. PIPER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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October 30, 1941

Special Agent in Charge
Buffalo, New York

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that Special Agent William S. Tavel, who entered on duty September 8, 1941, in Grade Caf-9, at a salary of $3,200 per annum, has been directed to report to you for assignment. The training school terminates on November 29, 1941, on which date he will proceed to your division. You should advise the date of his arrival.

You are instructed to continue the training of the Agent so that he may receive experience in all branches of the work of the Bureau. In submitting special efficiency reports, in accordance with the provisions of the Manual of Rules and Regulations, you should include statements as to the kinds of cases on which the employee has been engaged, his ability or lack thereof in any certain phase of the work, and particularly his ability to perform more involved investigations, such as bankruptcy. It is further desired that you give your personal attention to the development of this employee along administrative and executive lines and that any pertinent information indicating possibilities for assignment to such work be reported to the Washington headquarters of the Bureau from time to time.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NAME: William S. Tavel
BIRTHDATE: 7-12-15
MARITAL STATUS: single
LEGAL RESIDENCE: Washington, D. C.
TITLE: Special Agent
EDUCATION: A.B.
PREVIOUS VALUABLE EXPERIENCE: Clerk; Research Worker, Tour Guide (Rockefeller Center Corp.); Casualty Claims Investigator.
OFFICES OF PREFERENCE: New York, New Haven, Hawaii

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Tavel can function in any of the Bureau's offices.

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Boson _____
Mr. Garson _____
Mr. Drayton _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Gandy _____

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Quantico, Virginia
October 29, 1941

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLEGG

Re: Special Agent WILLIAM S. TAVEL
New Agents Class No. 4
9/8/41 - 12/1/41

I hereby certify that the above-named Special Agent is qualified in the use of all Bureau firearms and that he has made qualifying scores in each required firearms course.

Respectfully,

W H Espey

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
October 26, 1941

Memorandum for Mr. H. H. Clegg:

Re: Selective Service status

Please be advised that upon the submission of the letter of the Director to the writer's Local Draft Board, No. 15B, City Hall, Waterbury, Connecticut, the writer was placed in classification IIB. No termination date was given on the classification card, so apparently the classification is indefinite, or as long as I am associated with the Bureau.

Very truly yours,
William S. Tavel
William S. Tavel
New agents class #4
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NEW HAVEN, CONN.	10/17/41	9/24/41	F. J. ARMSTRONG

TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
WILLIAM SAMBY TAVEL	SPECIAL AGENT.....APPLICANT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Reference, RAY O. MILLS, advises that applicant applied for instant position and to ONI and D-7 class in Navy because his employment with insurance company would not result in draft deferment. Employer then placed him in charge of claim adjustment under group insurance contract covering munitions workers in Kansas City.

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REFERENCE: Bureau letter dated June 18, 1941. (Bureau file 67-215528)

DETAILS: RAY O. MILLS, Middlebury Road, Middlebury, Connecticut, reference, was recontacted on another matter and advised that applicant's employer, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, had received inquiries from the Office of Naval Intelligence, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and others concerning applicant's applications for appointment to the Bureau, to ONI, and to the D-7 class at Annapolis; that employer called applicant in to inquire about his position with the company and was advised by applicant that applicant did not feel that his present position would result in a draft deferment and therefore he desired a position which would.

MILLS further stated that as a result of this conversation the employer placed applicant in charge of claims adjustment under a group insurance contract covering munitions workers in Kansas City.

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TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL	APPLICANT - SPECIAL AGENT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Applicant applied V-7 Selection Board for Midshipmen's Training, N.Y.C. but formal application not furnished. Not obligated in any way to V-7.

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DETAILS: This investigation is predicated upon teletype from New Haven to New York dated August 18, 1941, which stated that applicant may have applied for a position in the United States Naval Reserve and office of Naval Intelligence and requesting that applicant's application and status be immediately checked at the headquarters of the Third Naval District, 90 Church Street, New York City.

On August 29, 1941, reporting agent telephonically contacted the commandant's office of the Third Naval District, 90 Church Street, New York City, who advised that no record of applicant appeared in their files. It was suggested that applicant may have enrolled for Midshipmen Training which enrolling office is located on the U.S.S. Wheeling stationed at 22d Street and East River.

Mr. CHARLES HARDY, junior member of V-7 Selection Board for Midshipmen's Training with offices on the U.S.S. Wheeling, 22d Street and East River, telephonically advised agent that applicant on May 20, 1941, appeared at his office with letters of recommendation and birth certificate for the purpose of enrolling for the Midshipmen Training. He stated that he had advised applicant that in view of his record applicant could possibly seek admission in the office of the Naval Intelligence and applicant stated that he was going out of town for two or three weeks and upon his return would make up his mind where he wanted to

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enroll. Mr. HARDY stated that applicant had not furnished any formal application but if he decided to enter for Midshipmen Training, he was told he could make the formal application upon his return to the city. Mr. HARDY further stated that applicant's status is free and clear and that he is obligated in no way to enter on any training in the V-7 Selection Board for Midshipmen Training. He stated he has not seen applicant since his first visit there.

The above information was telephonically communicated to the Bureau by Special Agent A. H. BELMONT August 29, 1941, and was confirmed by teletype August 30, 1941.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

October 13, 1941

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Mr. William S. Tavel
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Tavel:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your contribution of $5.00 to the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any participating Special Agent of the Bureau who dies, from any cause, while employed as a Special Agent.

Sincerely yours,

J. Ed. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
MAIL
OCT 13 1941

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who has contributed to this fund subsequent to April 15, 1941, and who dies from any cause, while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of five dollars ($5), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping, and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Direcor of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $5,000.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name Mrs. Anna Marie DeLorme Tavel Address 715 S. Washington St.
Alexandria, Va.

Relationship Mother

Very truly yours,

William A. Tavel
Special Agent

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NOTICE OF CLASSIFICATION

Registrant: William S. Tavel

Order No. 294

has been classified by—

Local Board No. 15B 11
New Haven County 009
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City Hall
Waterbury, Conn.
(STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)

(Registrant sign here)

Local Board ☒ Board of Appeal, by vote of 5 to 0 ☐

President ☐ In class ____ (Until _____, 19____).
(Insert date for Class II-A only)

Member of Local Board.

Date of mailing Sept. 30, 1941

BE ALERT

The laws requires you—

To keep in touch with the local board.

To notify it of any change of address.

To notify it of any fact which might change classification.

NOTE: RIGHT TO APPEAL

Appeal from classification by local board or board of appeal must be made at office of local board, by signing appeal form on back of questionnaire or by filing written notice of appeal, within ten days after the mailing of this notice.

Before appeal, a registrant may file a written request for appearance within the same ten-day period; and, if he does so, the local board will fix a day and notify him to appear personally before the local board; if this is done, the time to appeal is extended to ten days beyond the day set by the local board for such appearance.

There is a right in certain dependency cases, of appeal from appeal board decision to the President; see Selective Service Regulations, Volume Three.

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Time: 9:00 A.M.

September 12, 1941

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. FOXWORTH

Re: WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL,
SPECIAL AGENT

Lieutenant C. R. Wilson of ONI telephonically advised me this morning that several months ago William Saxby Tavel of St. Louis, Missouri, had made an application for a position with ONI. He advised that this application was not given consideration until recently, when an investigation was conducted of Tavel by ONI, and on September 10, 1941, a wire was sent to him at St. Louis offering him an appointment. Tavel replied to ONI advising that he had accepted an appointment with the FBI on September 8, 1941, and was now stationed at the FBI Academy at Quantico, Virginia.

Lieutenant Wilson explained that ONI did not know that the Bureau was interested in Tavel or had offered him an appointment. He stated that had he known that this man had accepted employment with the Bureau, he would not have wired him offering him an ONI appointment. Lieutenant Wilson advised that he just wanted the Bureau to be informed concerning the circumstances of this case so that there would be no reflection either on Tavel or ONI. Incidentally, he advised he had personally interviewed Tavel and had reviewed the investigative reports concerning this man and stated that he considered him an exceptionally good prospect.

Respectfully,

A. M. Thurston

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September 11, 1941

MEMORANDUM

A search of the files of this Division discloses the following record of WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL, employee, whose fingerprint card has been retained here:

Fingerprint card received from the Weldon Spring Ordnance Works, Weldon Spring, Missouri, August 23, 1941, containing the following information: "As William Saxby Tavel, Applicant for position of claimsman, (Liberty Mutual Insurance Company) July 10, 1941".

The fingerprint classification in this case is
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Very truly yours,

Q. Tamm

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United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

September 22, 1941

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLEGG

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RE: WILLIAM J. TAVEL
New Agents Class #4
EOD 9/8/41

This is to certify that the above-named trainee has been afforded an automobile driver's test. During this test, he operated the automobile in a satisfactory manner.

Respectfully,

George E. Davis Jr

George E. Davis, Jr.,
Counsellor

Tavel has been driving since 1931, has licenses to drive in Missouri and Connecticut, has had several minor accidents, and has had several minor traffic violations.

RHL:ELD

WILLIAM S. TAVEL

I am the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, has been designated by the President to take charge of investigative work in matters relating to espionage, sabotage and violations of the neutrality regulations. This Bureau is also charged with the duty of investigating other matters bearing upon the maintenance of the internal security of the United States. The duties thus imposed upon this Bureau constitute a vital function in the national defense program of this country. At the present time this Bureau is required by Act of Congress to expand its personnel in order effectively to discharge the important duties devolving upon it.

William S. Tavel has been employed as a Special Agent by the Federal Bureau of Investigation since September 8, 1941. He cannot be replaced satisfactorily because of the shortage of persons with his qualifications for such activity, and his removal for induction would cause material loss of effectiveness in the conduct of the national defense work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Extreme difficulty is being experienced at present in obtaining a sufficient number of qualified applicants to take care of the increasing expansion of this Bureau and it is impossible to consider a replacement of any individual for this reason, and therefore it is suggested that he be given Classification II-B.

general supervisory

John Edgar Hoover

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F.B.I. Barracks
Quantico, Virginia
September 10, 1941

Memorandum for Mr. H. H. Clegg:

Re: Selective Service

Please be advised that the writer is registered with Selective Service Draft Board No. 15B, City H all, Waterbury, Conn. My serial, or national lottery No. is 3815, my national order No. is 1591, and my local order No. is 294. I received my questionnaire in December 1940, and was placed i n Class IIIA, u ntil August, 1941, because of the dependency of my mother and father at that time. This dependency ended in June, 1941, but at the time my name came up for re-classification in August, 1941, I was placed in Class IIA, because of a request of my then employer, Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. that I be granted an occupational deferment. I was at that time working on a National Defense Project. Therefore I am at present classified as IIA, until January 14, 1942. I am notifying my Local Board immediately of my c hange of address and employ ment.

Respectfully submitted,
William S. Tavel
William Saxby Tavel
New Agents Class #4
E.O.D. 9/8/41

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I, William A. Tavel do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Special Agent in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, on which I am about to enter: So help me God.

(Sign here) William A. Tavel

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of September 1941.

Wm. C. Jackson
Notary Public

DATE OF ENTRY ON DUTY Sept. 8th 1941

DATE OF BIRTH July 12, 1915

PLACE OF BIRTH* Sumter S.C.

* If foreign born, date of naturalization

LEGAL VOTING RESIDENCE Washington D.C.

DO YOU RECEIVE AN ANNUITY UNDER THE CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT ACT?

no
(Yes or no)

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Standard Form No. 47
Approved by the Bureau
of the Budget
May 15, 1941

PERSONNEL AFFIDAVIT

Department of Justice Fed. Bur. of Invest. Washington, D.C.
(Department or agency) (Bureau or division) (Place of employment)

Name WILLIAM S. TAVEL
(Given name, initial or initials, if any, and last name. Print or type)

Section 9A of Public 252—76th Congress, approved August 2, 1939, otherwise known as the "Hatch Act," provides:

"(1) It shall be unlawful for any person employed in any capacity by any agency of the Federal Government, whose compensation, or any part thereof, is paid from funds authorized or appropriated by any Act of Congress, to have membership in any political party or organization which advocates the overthrow of our constitutional form of government in the United States.

"(2) Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be immediately removed from the position or office held by him, and thereafter no part of the funds appropriated by any Act of Congress for such position or office shall be used to pay the compensation of such person;"

It is provided in various appropriation acts that no part of the funds so appropriated shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence, and that an affidavit shall be considered *prima facie* evidence that the person making the affidavit does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence. Such acts provide further that any person who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment, the salary or wages for which are paid from any such appropriation, shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than 1 year, or both, and that the above penalty shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

* * * * * * *

I, William S. Tavel, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I have read and understand the foregoing; that I do not advocate the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence; that I am not a member of any political party or organization that advocates the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence; and that during such time as I am an employee of the Federal Government, I will not advocate nor become a member of any political party or organization that advocates the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence.

William S. Tavel
(Signature of employee)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of September A. D., 1944,
at Washington, D. C.
(City or place) (State)

Wm. C. Jackson
Notary Public

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THE FBI PLEDGE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Humbly recognizing the responsibilities entrusted to me, I do vow that I shall always consider the high calling of law enforcement to be an honorable profession, the duties of which are recognized by me as both an art and a science. I recognize fully my responsibilities to defend the right, to protect the weak, to aid the distressed, and to uphold the law in public duty and in private living. I accept the obligation in connection with my assignments to report facts and to testify without bias or display of emotion, and to consider the information, coming to my knowledge by virtue of my position as a sacred trust, to be used solely for official purposes. To the responsibilities entrusted to me of seeking to prevent crime, of finding the facts of law violations and of apprehending fugitives and criminals, I shall give my loyal and faithful attention and shall always be equally alert in striving to acquit the innocent and to convict the guilty. In the performance of my duties and assignments, I shall not engage in unlawful and unethical practices but shall perform the functions of my office without fear, without favor, and without prejudice. At no time shall I disclose to an unauthorized person any fact, testimony, or information in any pending matter coming to my official knowledge which may be calculated to prejudice the minds of existing or prospective judicial bodies either to favor or to disfavor any person or issue. While occupying the status of a law enforcement officer or at any other time subsequent thereto, I shall not seek to benefit personally because of my knowledge of any confidential matter which has come to my attention. I am aware of the serious responsibilities of my office and in the performance of my duties I shall, as a minister, seek to supply comfort, advice and aid to those who may be in need of such benefits; as a soldier, I shall wage vigorous warfare against the enemies of my country, of its laws, and of its principles; and as a physician, I shall seek to eliminate the criminal parasite which preys upon our social order and to strengthen the lawful processes of our body politic. I shall strive to be both a teacher and a pupil in the art and science of law enforcement. As a lawyer, I shall acquire due knowledge of the laws of my domain and seek to preserve and maintain the majesty and dignity of the law; as a scientist, it will be my endeavor to learn all pertinent truth about accusations and complaints which come to my lawful knowledge; as an artist, I shall seek to use my skill for the purpose of making each assignment a masterpiece; as a neighbor, I shall bear an attitude of true friendship and courteous respect to all citizens; and as an officer, I shall always be loyal to my duty, my organization, and my country. I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same, and will constantly strive to cooperate with and promote cooperation between all regularly constituted law enforcement agencies and officers in the performance of duties of mutual interest and obligation.

William Darby Tavel
Name

Special Agent
Title

Law Enforcement Organization

City State

Sept. 8, 1941
Date

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MR. E. A. TAMM _____
MR. CLEGG _____
MR. GLAVIN _____
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MR. HENDON _____
MR. HOLLOMAN _____
MR. QUINN TAMM _____
MR. NEASE _____
MISS GANDY _____

Medical Information Below

RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Quantico, Va. — 9/18, 1941
Place

Clergy HISTORY

Name TAVEL, WILLIAM SAXBY Age 26 years, 2 months

Nativity (state) South Carolina ~~Married~~, Single, Widowed: No Number of Children none

Diseases, operations, or injuries previous to age of 15 (Give date and full description of each and examine carefully for evidence of sequelae.)

mumps, chickenpox, measles

Diseases, operations, or injuries subsequent to age 15 (Give date and full description of each and examine carefully for evidence of sequelae.)

none

Father . . . . . (Living? ✓ State of Health good
(Dead? Cause & age at death?

Mother . . . . . (Living? ✓ State of Health good
(Dead? Cause & age at death?

Brothers . . . . (Number living State of Health
(Number dead Cause & age at death?

Sisters . . . . (Number living ✓ State of Health good
(Number dead Cause & age at death?

Has any member of family suffered from neurasthenia or insanity or been confined in any institution for the insane? Give relationship and full history of case.

Has any blood relative been an inmate of a penal institution or poorhouse? Give relationship and state reasons. NO Maternal uncle in state mental hospital - Columbia S.C. - not familiar with entire history, but believe confinement due to disease, no hereditary insanity in family to my knowledge.

Habits: Tobacco? Moderate Alcoholics? None Drugs? None

Letter to W. S. Tavel 10/7/41

William S. Tavel
Signature of Candidate.

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PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

Eyes: Color? blue Exophthalmos? no

Chronic inflammation? no Other abnormality? no

Eyelids: Ptosis? no Condition of conjunctiva on eversion? normal

Other eye conditions? no

Vision: (Note: Each eye must be tested separately.)

Does candidate wear glasses? No For what purpose?

Distant: Uncorrected vision of right eye? 20/20 Left eye? 20/20

Corrected vision of right eye? Left eye?

Near: Uncorrected vision of right eye? 20/20 Left eye? 20/20

Corrected vision of right eye? Left eye?

Remarks:

Color sense: Normal
(Standard color plate test required)

Ears: Abnormalities? no Evidence of mastoid or other disease: no

Condition of drums? Right normal Left normal

Hearing: (Note: When testing hearing, the eyes and the opposite ear must be closed.)

Distance conversational speech can be heard:

Right ear 20/20 feet. Left ear 20/20 feet.

Distance whispered speech (Using residual air) can be heard:

Right ear 20/20 feet. Left ear 20/20 feet.

(Note: Use tuning fork tests, Rinne, Weber & Schwabach, if indicated.)

Right ear 20/20 Left ear 20/20

Nose: Deflection of septum no Polypi? no

Chronic nasal disease? no Is candidate a mouth breather? no

Palate: Cleft or perforated? no Other conditions? no

Fauces: Condition of tonsils? normal Pharynx? normal

Wesley Thomas
Signature of Examining Specialist.

Height? 5 feet, 8 1/4 inches. Weight, stripped? 157 3/4 Pounds.

General appearance:
(Robust? ✓
(Puny?
(Plethoric?
(Anaemic?
(Corpulent?
(Emaciated?

Complexion:
(White? ✓
(Colored?
(Blonde?
(Brunette? ✓
(Florid?
(Sallow?

Skin: Diseases? Neg

Hair: Color: Brown Thickness Wood.

Glands: Enlargement: — Other abnormalities —

Head, Depressions? — Asymmetries? —

Facial disfigurement? — Facial asymmetry? —

Abnormalities of speech? —

Neck: Goitre? — Other conditions? —

Chest: Inspiration 39 inches. Expiration 35 1/2 inches. Respiratory rate? 20

Inspection: N

Lungs: Palpation: N

Percussion: N

Auscultation: N

X-ray examination:

Heart: Palpation: N

Percussion: N

Auscultation: N

W.G.T.

Exercise Test: Step upon chair 25 times in 30 seconds. Pulse rate should return to normal after two minutes.

Pulse rate: Sitting 68 After exercise 80

Condition of heart after exercise: Negative

Blood pressure, Systolic? 106 Diastolic? 70 Pulse pressure 46

Abdomen:

Circumference at umbilicus? 29 Tenderness? n

Other abnormalities? n

Liver, percussion? n Palpation? n

Spleen, percussion? n Palpation? n

Inguinal rings? n Hernia? n

Scrotum:

Varicocele? Small on left Hydrocele? n Sarcocele n

Testicles:

Induration? n Atrophy? n

Other conditions? n

Penis:

Epispadias? n Hypospadias? n

Condition of prepuce? n Venereal diseases? Denied

Anus:

Hemorrhoids? n Fistulae? n

Prolapse of bowel? n Other conditions n

Spine:

Tenderness? — Curvature? —

Reflexes:

Pupillary: — Cremasteric: —

Patellar: — Babinski: — Ankleclonus: —

Upper Extremity:

Missing fingers? — Contractures of hand? —

Condition of joints? — Other conditions? —

Lower Extremity:

Flat foot? n Bowed legs? n

Knock-knees? n Varicose Veins? n

Hammer toes? N Bunions? N

Other abnormalities? N

Agility:

Co-ordination of muscular movements? N Romberg? N

Defects of gait? N

Mental Condition? N

(Note: If indicated refer to specialist)

Temperature? 98.4

Has this person been successfully vaccinated within 5 years? Yes.

Has this person had prophylactive typhoid inoculation? Yes. Date last taken

Urine: Color? Lt. Amber Sp. Gr.? 1.025 Albumin? N Sugar? N

Reaction? Acid Shreds? N Blood cells? N

Pus cells? N Casts? N Epitheleal cells? N

Blood: Red corpuscles per C.mm 5,150,000 White corpuscles per C.mm 8,400

Differential count Neutro 73, Lymph 25, Mono 2.
Blood type "O"

Blood serologic tests (syphilis): Neg Haemoglobin per cent: 94

Has candidate any of the following defects, viz: Cachexia, or apparent predisposition to any constitutional diseases, permanent defects of either of the extremities or articulations, including defects of gait, flat foot, badly bowed legs, knock-knees, unnatural curvature of the spine, impaired vision, color-blindness, chronic diseases of the visual organs, epilepsy, insanity, chronic diseases of the ears, deafness, chronic nasal disease, polypi, chronic ulcers or cicatrices of old ulcers likely to break out afresh, chronic cardiac pulmonary or renal affections, insufficient chest expansion, hernia, sarcocele, hydrocele, varicocele (unless slight), fistula in ano, hemorrhoids, varicose veins on lower limbs (unless slight) stature less than 5 feet 4 inches, or more than 6 feet 2 inches, or any marked abnormality of speech or facial disfigurement?

Report of any special examination:

DENTAL EXAMINATION OF _____

GENERAL ORAL CONDITION

MUCOUS MEMBRANE

✓	Normal
	Inflamed
	Swollen
	Ulcerated
	Septic

SALIVA

✓	Normal
	Excessive
	Acidity
	Thick or ropy
	Odor

OCCLUSION

✓	Normal
	Class I
	Class II
	Class III

TONGUE

	Normal
	Coating
	Cryptic
	Ulcerated
	Enlarged

Glands _____

Sinus _____

Throat _____

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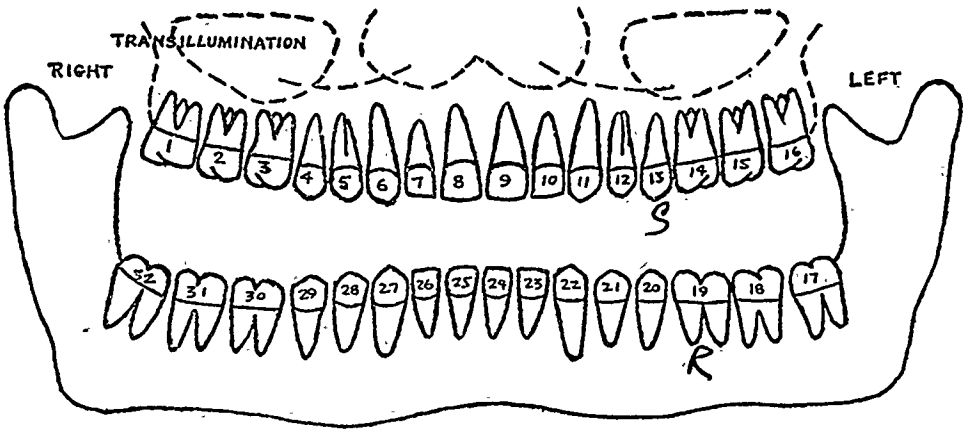
	Square
✓	Tapering
	Ovoid

DENTAL DIAGNOSIS

A. Labial
B. Lingual
C. Incisal
D. Occlusal
E. Buccal
G. Mesial
H. Distal
K. Mesio-labial
L. Disto-labial
M. Mesio-lingual
N. Disto-lingual
O. Mesio-incisal
P. Disto-incisal
R. Mesio-occlusal
S. Disto-occlusal
T. Bucco-occlusal
U. Lingual-occlusal
V. Mesio-disto-occlusal
W. Bucco-lingual-occlusal



[X] Roots [O] Abscess [Imp] Impacted [●] Crown [▽] Devitalized [–] Dummy bridge [▬] On denture [Z] Missing [V] Extraction Indicated

X-ray No. _____ X-ray reading _____

Gingival disease (indicate nature and extent) _____

Conditions of appliances replacing teeth _____

Remarks: # 3 r. Impacted

In case a dentist is not available to make the dental examination, the medical examiner shall record missing teeth, prosthetic replacements, and give a general estimate of oral condition.

Date 18. [illegible] 41 (Signature) [illegible]

Dental Surgeon

Summary of Findings

(Summarize here all defects found.)

1. Tooth #32 injured
2.
3.
4.
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Recommendations:

1. Is this man capable of strenuous ✓ moderate____ light____ or very light____ physical exertion. (Indicate which).

2. Has this man any defect which would interfere with his participation in raids or other work connected with the detection and apprehension of criminals which might entail the practical use of firearms? (Indicate YES or NO) NO

Remarks:

Administrative action by Federal Bureau of Investigation.

DIRECTOR

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October 7, 1941

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Mr. William C. Tavel
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Tavel:

The Bureau is in receipt of the report of the physical examination afforded you at the United States Marine Hospital, Quantico, Virginia, on September 18, 1941.

This report reflects the following physical defects:

Small varicocele on left.
Tooth 32 impacted.

The Board of Examining Physicians makes the following recommendations:

Inoculation for typhoid.
Vaccination for smallpox.

It reports that you are capable of performing strenuous physical exertion, and have no physical defects that would interfere with your participation in raids or other work involving the practical use of firearms.

For your information, it was determined during this examination that your blood is International Type

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Cc: Field Personnel File, Rm 5519

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April 21, 1945

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Mr. William Sandy Tavel
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Tavel:

The Bureau is in receipt of the report of the physical examination afforded you at the United States Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Maryland, on March 23, 1945.

This report reflects that you have an impacted third right molar, and that you have a small left varicocele.

The Board of Examining Physicians of the United States Naval Hospital recommends that you have your impacted molar removed.

It reports that you are capable of performing strenuous physical exertion and have no physical defects that would interfere with the proper performance of your duties.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

CC: Mr. Clegg
CC: Mr. Carson

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RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL AGENTS
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

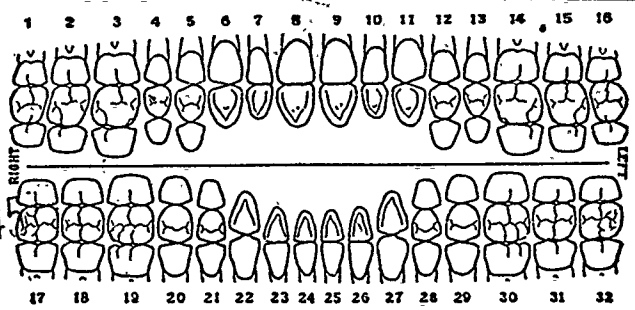
NAME Tavel, William Saxby AGE 29 YEARS, 9 MONTHS
NATIVITY (state of birth) S. C. MARRIED, SINGLE, WIDOWED: single NUMBER OF CHILDREN 0
FAMILY HISTORY none of immediate family have had any of diseases mentioned

HISTORY OF ILLNESS OR INJURY May 1943 right shoulder injured in fall
mumps, chickenpox, measles as a child. Only 2 attacks of diarrhea in last
2 years.

HEAD AND FACE neg.
EYES: PUPILS (size, shape, reaction to light and distance, etc.) normal
DISTANT VISION RT. 20/20, corrected to 20/
LT. 20/20, corrected to 20/
COLOR PERCEPTION normal
(state edition of Stilling's plates or Lamps used)
DISEASE OR ANATOMICAL DEFECTS none
EARS: HEARING RT. WHISPERED VOICE 15/15' CONVERSATIONAL SPEECH /15'
LT. WHISPERED VOICE 15/15' CONVERSATIONAL SPEECH /15'
DISEASE OR DEFECTS none
NOSE slight deviation of septum
(Disease or anatomical defect, obstruction, etc. State degree)
SINUSES negative

TONGUE, PALATE, PHARYNX, LARYNX, TONSILS tonsils present

TEETH AND GUMS (disease or anatomical defect): normal
MISSING TEETH none
NONVITAL TEETH none
PERIAPICAL DISEASE none
MARKED MALOCCLUSION none
PYORRHEA ALVEOLARIS none
TEETH REPLACED BY BRIDGES none



DENTURES none
REMARKS

Lt. Comdr. George W. Ferguson MC USNR
(Signature of Dental Officer)

GENERAL BUILD AND APPEARANCE medium
TEMPERATURE 98.4 CHEST AT EXPIRATION 36
HEIGHT 62 CHEST AT INSPIRATION 40
WEIGHT 156 CIRCUMFERENCE OF ABDOMEN AT UMBILICUS 31
RECENT GAIN OR LOSS, AMOUNT AND CAUSE none
SKIN, HAIR, AND GLANDS negative
NECK (abnormalities, thyroid gland, trachea, larynx) negative

SPINE AND EXTREMITIES (bones, joints, muscles, feet) negative, no residual from old rt. shoulder injury

THORAX (size, shape, movement, rib cage, mediastinum) negative

RESPIRATORY SYSTEM, BRONCHI, LUNGS, PLEURA, ETC. negative

CARDIO-VASCULAR SYSTEM negative

HEART (note all signs of cardiac involvement) negative

PULSE: BEFORE EXERCISE 96 BLOOD PRESSURE: SYSTOLIC 118

AFTER EXERCISE 120 DIASTOLIC 80

THREE MINUTES AFTER 96

CONDITION OF ARTERIES normal CHARACTER OF PULSE normal

CONDITION OF VEINS normal HEMORRHOIDS none

ABDOMEN AND PELVIS (condition of wall, scars, herniae, abnormality of viscera) negative

GENITO-URINARY SYSTEM small left varicocele - no symptoms

URINALYSIS: SP. GR. 1.022 ALB. neg SUGAR neg MICROSCOPICAL

VENEREAL DISEASE

NERVOUS SYSTEM neg

(organic or functional disorders)

ROMBERG neg INCOORDINATION (gait, speech) none

REFLEXES, SUPERFICIAL negative DEEP (knee, ankle, elbow) present TREMORS none

SEROLOGICAL TESTS negative BLOOD TYPE O

ABNORMAL PSYCHE (neurasthenia, psychasthenia, depression, instability, worries) none

SMALLPOX VACCINATION: DATE OF LAST VACCINATION 1945 tetanus 1945

TYPHOID PROPHYLAXIS: NUMBER OF COURSES

DATE OF LAST COURSE 1945

REMARKS ON ABNORMALITIES NOT OTHERWISE NOTED OR SUFFICIENTLY DESCRIBED ABOVE none. Stools negative

SUMMARY OF DEFECTS small left varicocele - no symptoms
Impacted third molar - right

CAPABLE OF PERFORMING DUTIES INVOLVING strenuous PHYSICAL EXERTION

IS THIS INDIVIDUAL PHYSICALLY FIT TO PARTICIPATE IN RAIDS AND APPREHENSION OF CRIMINALS WHICH MIGHT ENTAIL THE PRACTICAL USE OF FIREARMS yes (yes or no)
(when no is given state cause)

FINDINGS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REMARKS (as per boards, when necessary)
Taking all vaccinations while in-service
Dental care - removal of impacted molar

W. R. Parnall
Lt. MC USNR

DATE OF EXAMINATION 3/23/45

Rio de Janeiro, Brasil
June 19, 1943

Dear Sir:

Re: WILLIAM S. TAVEL
SIS-552
BRASIL - Administrative

Reference is made to Rio cablegram of June 1st and Bureau letter of May 29th last concerning Mr. TAVEL, who has been under care of a physician at Rio.

For your information Mr. Tavel's sick leave covered the period May 21st to June 10th, 1943 inclusive.

Respectfully,

W. J. Bradley

WJB:HAW

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FROM RIO DE JANEIRO 6-1-43 NR 707 7:47 PM EWT

WILLIAM TAVEL'S DOCTOR HAS ADVISED HIM THAT HE WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE OFF HIS PLASTER CAST IN ABOUT TEN DAYS. TAVEL IS IN FINE SPIRITS AND, BUT FOR THE CAST, IS SUFFERING NO DISCOMFORT.

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May 29, 1943

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~~VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR POUCH~~

67-215528-65X

SIS #[redacted] Wm. Tavel

MAY 30 1943

Re: William S. Tavel
Administrative

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your radiogram of May 22, 1943, advising that the above employee had suffered a dislocated shoulder and was under the care of a physician. Upon Mr. Tavel's return to duty, you should advise the Bureau of the amount of sick leave taken by him.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
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FROM RIO DE JANEIRIO 5-22-43 NR 664 6:38 PM EDT

WILLIAM S. TAVEL SLIPPED AND FELL TO PAVEMENT ON BOARDING A STREET CAR DISLOCATING CLAVICAL MUSCLES IN RIGHT SHOULDER. X-RAY SHOWS NO BROKEN BONES. CONDITION IS NOT DEEMED SERIOUS ALTHOUGH HE IS OBLIGED TO WEAR PLASTER CAST FOR ABOUT THREE WEEKS. HE IS UNDER CABE OF COMPETENT PHYSICIAN DOCTOR ANTONIO CAIO DO AMARAL. SICK LEAVE EFFECTIVE MAY 21.

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Let to SIS #111
5/29/43 JWH

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H.K.

STuyvesant 9-2464 Reg. No. 14049

Dr. Milton D. Feltenstein

144 E. 24th St. New York City

Name

Address Date 5/11/42

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To whom it may concern:
Mr. Wm. S. Farrel
has had "German Measles"
and is completely recovered.
He is not contagious.

M D Feltenstein

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Routed..... Recorded.....
Searched..... Checked.....
Numbered..... Filed.....
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Wilbur Sapp Jarl

PHYSICAL EXAM.

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Searched K.J. Check.
Mail rec 195-93 filed...
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Noted 8/12/41

Form 2413
December 1935

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER, SEPT. 4, 1924

(APPLICANT MUST FILL IN DOTTED LINES BELOW TO HEAVY LINE)

WILLIAM SAXBY TAVEL
(Name)

5141 A WATERMAN AVE. ST. LOUIS, MO.
(Post-office address)

MALE — JULY 12, 1915
(Sex) — (Date of birth)

What examination did you take? FBI - SPECIAL AGENT

In what Department and Bureau are you to be employed? DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

In what City or Town are you to be employed? DONT KNOW.

Rolled print, right forefinger
(Print must be taken to identify person examined)

(Unless the examining physician can guarantee the identity of the person examined, the fingerprint must be furnished. Indelible or stamp pad should be used)

(PHYSICIAN SHOULD FILL IN THE FOLLOWING)

67 3/4 inches. (Height, without shoes) * ____ pounds. (Weight, in clothing) 154 pounds. (Weight, without clothing)
Males, without clothing; females, clothed but without wrap or hat.

Items checked (✓) were examined and found normal. Deviations from normal are noted. (*See instructions on back of sheet*)

1. Eyes: For distance: Without glasses: Right 20/20 Left 20/20 With glasses if worn: Right 20/20 Left 20/20
(Near vision must be reported in space provided on back.)
Evidence of disease or injury: Right no Left no
Color vision normal Method of testing color vision Ishihara
2. Ears: (Consider denominators indicated here as normal. Record as numerators the actual distance heard.) Ordinary conversation: Right ear— 20/20 ft. Left ear— 20/20 ft.
Evidence of disease or injury: Right ear No Left ear No.
3. Nose Normal
4. Mouth Normal
5. Throat Normal
6. Thyroid (especially in women) Normal
7. Heart Normal — If organic heart disease is present, is it fully compensated?
8. Lungs: Right Clear — If history of tuberculosis, has it been arrested for 1 year?
Left Clear
9. Inguinal rings (men only): Right Normal — Is truss worn?
Left Normal
(Any hernia should be noted, inguinal, ventral, femoral, etc.)
10. Varicose veins none (If "Yes", state location and degree) — Varicocele Mild varicocele both sides.
11. Flat foot No. (If "Yes", state extent of impairment of function)
12. Deformities, atrophies, and other abnormalities, diseases, or defects not included above None
13. Scars of serious injury or disease None.
14. Nervous system (give symptoms and history) Normal
15. Urinalysis (see over) — Venereal disease Denied.
16. Has applicant ever received pension, compensation, allowance, retired pay, or training because of disability received while in military or naval service? no If "Yes", describe disability and state whether present now
17. In my opinion, applicant is capable of performing duties involving arduous. (Arduous, moderate, or light) physical exertion.

St. Louis, Missouri.
(Place of examination)

August 5, 1941.
(Date of examination)

The examining physician must be in the Federal service

Robert H. Dorr
(Name of examining physician)

Robert H. Dorr, A. Surg. USPHS
(Title, and branch of Federal medical service)

*For males, to be taken only upon special written request of the official ordering examination.

This report is to be returned to the official of the U. S. Civil Service Commission requesting the examination

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The aim of the Executive order of Sept. 4, 1924, and of this examination thereunder is to obtain information as to the physical condition of appointees to the classified civil service with a view to promoting efficiency and minimizing accidents and claims under United States employees' compensation laws.

NOTES FOR EXAMINING PHYSICIAN

WEIGHT.—Males, without clothing, and also in ordinary clothing without overcoat or hat (weigh twice); females, clothed but without wrap or hat. If overweight, state whether due to bone and muscle or to fat.

HEIGHT.—Without boots or shoes; observe that no appliances are used to increase.

The examination should include the following observations, as to—

1. EYES.—Ptosis; discharge; corneal scar; pterygium. In recording distant vision consider 20 feet as normal and report all vision as a fraction with 20 feet as numerator and the smallest type read at 20 feet as denominator. If glasses are used, record for each eye the finding with and without glasses.*

2. EARS.—Evidence of middle ear or mastoid disease; condition of drums; discharge. In recording hearing, record 20 feet as normal distance for conversational voice and record deviation from normal as fraction with 20 as denominator and actual distance as numerator.

3. NOSE.—Ability to blow through each nostril. If free, a speculum examination would not be indicated.

4. MOUTH.—Missing teeth, pyorrhea.

5. THROAT.—Tonsils, hypertrophy or disease.

6. THYROID.—Presence of tumor in neck and tremor, exophthalmos; nervous high-strung disposition, especially in women.

7. HEART.—Murmurs. State whether functional or organic. If valvular disease exists, state whether or not it is fully compensated.

8. LUNGS.—It is necessary that the auscultatory cough be used. Tuberculosis; if present, state whether active or arrested, and if arrested your opinion as to how long it has been quiescent. Sputum to be examined for tubercle bacilli in all suspected cases.

9. INGUINAL RINGS.—Hernia; no hernia, but impulse on coughing; no hernia or impulse; but abnormally large rings. Any other hernia should be noted, and if present describe fully and state whether it is retained by well-fitting truss.

10 to 13. Scars, deformities, atrophies, paralyses, or flat foot of such a nature as to incapacitate or become aggravated by work or be later alleged as caused by accident or occupation. By "flat foot", as used in this form, is meant a foot with impaired function, the term being equivalent to "fallen or misplaced arch", an abnormal condition. Impairment of function is the point to be noted. It is not intended that small, insignificant blemishes which might be referred to as marks of identification be recorded.

14. This entry should include symptoms and full history of any mental or nervous abnormality.

15. Urinalysis to be made and blood pressure to be taken when especially indicated, particularly in persons over 40 when arteriosclerosis, nephritis, or diabetes is suspected.

Record, if taken—Urinalysis—Sp. gr. ~~XXXX~~ 1.028 Albumen None Sugar none

Blood pressure: Mm. Hg. systolic 120 Mm. Hg. diastolic 76

If tachycardia is present, give pulse rate: Sitting ..... Immediately after exercise ..... Two minutes after exercise .....

REMARKS: Blood Kahn, negative.

Robert H. Dorr
(Name of examining physician)

Robert H. Dorr, A. Surg. USPHS
(Title and branch of medical service)

U.S. Marine Hospital, Kirkwood, Mo.

*Near vision:

What is the longest and the shortest distance at which the paragraph below can be read by applicant: Test each eye separately.

Without glasses R. 5 in. to 23 in. L. 5 in. to 25 in.

With glasses, if used R. ..... in. to ..... in. L. ..... in. to ..... in.

With the view of promoting health and efficiency and of minimizing accidents among Federal employees, the heads of the several executive departments and independent establishments having a medical personnel are directed to make such physical examinations of applicants for and employees in the Federal classified service as may be requested by the Civil Service Commission or its authorized representatives.

This order will supplement the Executive orders of May 29 and June 18, 1923 (Executive order September 4, 1924).

Jaeger 1; Snellen .50; Dioptic 37 D.

PERSONNEL FILES
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Examined for position in—

Department .....

Bureau .....

Title of position .....

Number of certificate upon which applicant's name appears .....